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SPAIN.

The Excess of the Expenditures Over the Revenues.

MADRID, Sunday, May 9.

The condition of the national finances causes much anxiety. It is estimated that the expenditures will exceed the revenues by twelve million reals.

Explanation from General Prim—His Motto "Honor and Liberty."

MADRID, Sunday, May 9.

In the Cortes yesterday General PRIM alluded to the rumors that he meditated an attempt against the liberal regime, and pronounced them utterly baseless. He declared that the future would prove that "Honor and Liberty" was his motto.

It is reported that General CABRERA, the noted Carlist leader, has appeared in Catalonia.

ITALY.

Formation of the New Cabinet.

FLORENCE, Sunday, May 9.

The new Cabinet has been formed, and is composed as follows:

President—General MENABREA.
Minister of Foreign Affairs—MINGHETTI.
Minister of the Interior—FERRARIS.
Minister of Justice—MIRABELLI.
Minister of Commerce—BAROCCI.

There will probably be no change in the heads of the War, Marine or Finance Departments.

BELGIUM.

Resignation of the Minister of Justice—Imprisonment for Debt.

BRUSSELS, Sunday, May 9.

M. BARA, Minister of Justice, has tendered his resignation to the King. He is urged to remain in office, but refuses to do so unless the Senate is dissolved.

The Senate has refused to pass the bill for the abolition of imprisonment for debt.

GERMANY.

BERLIN, Sunday, May 9.

A Congress of German Protestants is to meet at Worms on the 31st of May. The object of the meeting is to consider and frame a reply to the recent appeal of the Pope to Protestants.

DOMINION OF CANADA.

Reciprocity with the United States—Speech of the Minister of Finance.

OTTAWA, Ontario, Saturday, May 8.

The following is a portion of the Finance Minister's Budget speech, of last night, in relation to reciprocity:

Before leaving this subject of our trade relations both with ourselves and with the United States, he might be permitted to say a word more with reference to reciprocal trade with the United States. We might fairly say to them we do not complain of the abrogation of the treaty; we have no fault to find with your Government for its action at that time; we know the peculiar difficulties in which you were then involved, and we know the state of public opinion which prevailed respecting us during the war, and for which our people and Government were not blamed; we believe that since you have formed juster impressions of our conduct toward you during the war, and that all irritated feelings have passed away, we have not since that time sought to retaliate; we have given you freely all the advantages possessed during the continuance of the Reciprocity Treaty; we make every allowance for the exceptional circumstances under which you abrogated the treaty; we have patiently, up to this time, given you every advantage you had before, and not sought, in any way, to enter upon a retaliatory course toward you; we have allowed you the free navigation of our canals and rivers, and the use of our own fisheries, by paying a mere nominal license, as an assertion of our right to them; we have not sought to interfere with the transmission of goods in bond across the Western Peninsula by an oppressive conduct such as you have imposed on us; we have allowed your flour, grain, hops, coals and other productions to come in free for the last three or four years; but you must understand we cannot go on with this forever. The time may come soon when we may require to have a national policy of our own, and that national policy will be stopped solely by those considerations which affect our resources. In entering upon negotiations for the renewal of this treaty, we ought to let it be unmistakably understood, that much as we desire, on national and commercial grounds, less restricted intercourse with the United States, we are not prepared to give up our national existence for it. We must then be equals, considering what is to be the material advantage of both countries, and for the promotion of free and kindly intercourse. There should be a distinct enunciation of opinions in this country; that no matter how much they may prevent intercourse with them, we are not disposed to pay the price for that intercourse by giving up our associations or our national existence. He had great faith in our ability to open up markets, which would relieve us from any temporary depression which may now exist. At one time it was supposed that England would be utterly ruined by the loss of the cotton trade with America, but we know that other markets were soon opened up, so that now less than 45 per cent of her cotton comes from America. He did not desire to say more on this subject, but he thought we ought not to exaggerate the injury to the trade of this country, which he believed was only temporary, by the restrictions on trade with the United States. The time may come when this question may have to be considered in a more serious light; but this would be the time to do it when we find the people of the United States becoming disposed to open up negotiations. The Committee on Ways and Means at Washington had almost unanimously reported in favor of opening up negotiations; and that report had been unanimously adopted by the House of Representatives; and he believed that but for the extreme urgency of national affairs, this report would have been carried into effect.

Miss Martha J. Cathrens Acquitted.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sunday, May 9.

The trial of MARTHA J. CATHRENS for the homicide of NICHOLAS MCCOMAS at Jarrettsville, Harford County, Md., on the 16th of April last, was concluded in the Harford Circuit Court last evening. The jury, after an absence of five minutes, brought in a verdict of "not guilty."

Destructive Fire in McKeesport, Penn—Loss $60,000.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 9.

On Saturday night a fire occurred at McKeesport, near this city, and destroyed a square of the business portion of the town. The fire began in a stable belonging to the National hotel, owned by JOHN WOLFE. The hotel, Dr. KUHN's residence, HILL's drug store, REYNOLD'S hardware store and residence, were entirely destroyed. The loss is estimated at $60,000; insured for $24,000.

THE PACIFIC RAILROAD.

Celebrations in San Francisco and Sacramento—A Grand Jubilee—The Last Spike Driven in the Central Line—Reception of this News in Sacramento.

SAN FRANCISCO, Saturday, May 8.

The Pacific Railroad celebration to-day was one to be remembered for all time in San Francisco. The day opened with salutes of one hundred guns. All the Federal forts of the harbor fired a salute, the city bells were rung and steam whistles blown. At night the whole city was illuminated and presented a brilliant appearance. The procession was the largest and most enthusiastic ever witnessed in San Francisco. The people were eager and willing to observe an event of so much importance to this city and the Pacific coast, and turned out en masse. Business was generally suspended. Nearly every citizen exhibited a hearty interest in the demonstration. The military and civic display was grand. In addition to the State military, all the available United States troops from the several forts here participated on the occasion, while the civic societies turned out with full ranks. The city and harbor presented a magnificent sight. During the day the principal buildings were draped with the banners of every nation, and the streets were thronged with an excited and joyous people. The shipping was dressed in like style.

The dispatch from the junction of the road announcing the driving of the last spike of the Central Pacific Road, at 1 o'clock A. M., sent a thrill through the city. Congratulatory messages were transmitted to the Directors of the Central Pacific and Union Pacific Roads by the California Pioneers.

At Sacramento the event was celebrated in a grand and enthusiastic manner. The city was crowded with a multitude of people from all parts of the State and Nevada. The Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows, in session in this city, accepted an invitation to attend the Sacramento demonstration, and lodges from Nevada, Grass Valley, Vallejo, San Francisco, Placerville, San Jose, Marysville and Virginia City and Gold Hill, Nevada, were also in attendance. The lines of travel to and from Sacramento were thrown open to the public free, and immense numbers of people took advantage of the circumstance and flocked hither. The Central Pacific Company had thirty locomotives gaily decked, and ranged in front of the city, and as the signal gun was fired, announcing the driving of the last spike of the road, the locomotives opened a chorus of whistles, and all the bells and steam-whistles in the city joined in. Profound regret is expressed because the roads were not joined to-day.

Dispatches from Promontory say that several hundred men had seized a train at Piedmont on which was President DURANT, telling him they were hungry and must have their money, and that they would detain him until it was forthcoming. The non-arrival of Mr. DURANT is alleged to be the principal cause for postponing the ceremony of joining the roads until Monday next.

New-York to Congratulate San Francisco by Lightning on its Completion—Old Trinity to Chime its Praise.

At 12 o'clock noon to-day, the last rail is to be laid with imposing ceremonies on the track of the Union Pacific Railroad. The rail is of laurel-wood faced with silver, and the last spike to be driven is of solid gold. In commemoration of this auspicious event, the chimes of Old Trinity will be rung at noon, and, at the same time, a committee of the New-York Chamber of Commerce (Messrs. WM. E. DODGE, S. H. RUGGLES, GEORGE OPDYKE and A. A. LOW) will transmit, on behalf of their organization, a telegraphic dispatch to the Chamber of Commerce of San Francisco congratulating that body on the completion of the great enterprise which unites the two opposite shores of the continent. It is probable the New-York Chamber will hold a special meeting for the afternoon to receive the reply of the San Francisco organization.

THE INDIANS.

The Capture of General Custer—Preparations for Further Hostilities.

ST. LOUIS, Sunday, May 9.

The *Republican* has a letter from Camp Wychita, dated April 28, which says since the 19th twenty lodges of the Cheyenne Indians, belonging to the band under Little Robe, who surrendered to General CUSTER on the edge of Staked Plains, during the latter part of March, left here without permission of the proper authority. This makes one hundred and twenty lodges captured by CUSTER, who have started north to join TALL BULL on the Kansas border, making, at the lowest estimate, 400 warriors now ready for hostile demonstrations in the vicinity of Republican, Solomon, and Saline Creeks, north of the Arkansas River. The Indians expressed contempt for the military here. A rumor is rife in the camp that Lieutenant JACOBS and fifteen men of the Sixth Infantry, who were sent as an escort for the philanthropist, VISCONT CORTES, to Fort Bascom, New-Mexico, were attacked at the head of the waters of the Washita River, and held two days by the Indians, when they escaped under cover of the night. The report comes from Indian sources. The experiment of teaching the natives the art of agriculture is progressing slowly. Some seeds were already sown by the farmers and the laborers employed by the Government. The affiliated bands, composed of remnants of Caddo, Waco, Kiche, Witchita and Towakaro bands, have all planted corn and some garden vegetables on the land prepared for them by the sub-agent, Mr. MCQUESKEN. It must be remembered these tribes raised corn for the last century unaided by the Government. The Kiowas and Camanches, on the contrary, are averse to labor, and look on the matter as entirely too degrading for them, and only adapted to the poorer class, as they term the affiliated bands. Five acres are to be broken for each chief of a band, and farmers are to be kept among them to thoroughly test the experiment.

A Council Bluffs paper of Friday says a mortgage for $9,000,000, given by the Rock Island and Pacific Railroad to JOHN A. STEWART and WILLIAM H. OSBORN, has been recorded in Pottawatamie County.

Seizure of Coffee and Pepper by the United States Marshal in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, Sunday, May 9.

Several lots of coffee and pepper, in the hands of different merchants, were seized yesterday by the United States Marshal, for the alleged nonpayment of duty. The articles, it is stated, were reshipped from New-York, in bond, and they came here through New-Orleans. It is also alleged that large quantities of coffee have been shipped from New-Orleans since December last, consigned to LEWIS MAYSON & Co., by whom it has been sold to jobbers here without the knowledge of its contraband character. It is further stated that there is a large quantity of contraband sugar in the City which will be seized this week.

More Trouble at Sing Sing—A Foreman Beaten by a Convict.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Sunday, May 9.

A convict in the shoe-shop at Sing Sing Prison assaulted one of the foremen on Friday, beating him severely. He first struck him with a shoe-knife, cutting his coat, and then buried hammers and awls at him, when the foreman was compelled to flee for his life. The same day in the same shop two convicts engaged in a quarrel, which resulted in a desperate fight, both being badly beaten.

WASHINGTON.

Secretary Boutwell's Financial Policy—His Recent Order for the Purchase of Bonds—The Peabody Southern Education Fund—Health of Mr. Peabody.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Sunday, May 9.

To all suggestions and criticisms upon his recent order directing the purchase of bonds, to the effect that it will be likely to disturb the money market, and render values uncertain, Secretary BOUTWELL makes the uniform reply that his action is not to be governed by the consequences to the money market which may follow. He thinks the Treasury should be conducted solely with reference to its own interests, and that it should neither be deterred from performing nor induced to perform any act because of its results upon the money market. His position is that the Treasury should take its chances in the money market the same as individuals; and that it is no business of the Secretary of the Treasury to feel the pulse of Wall-street before he resolves to sell gold or buy bonds. Between the extreme contractionists, the non-actionists, and the extreme expansionists, there is room enough for a Secretary of the Treasury to have a policy of his own, based upon the laws of Congress and on what seems to him best for the interests of the Government. There is no authority for saying that the order of the Secretary will be entered regularly until the next meeting of Congress. It will depend entirely upon the condition of the Treasury. But the intention of this policy is proof to the country of what the Secretary will do whenever he is able.

GEORGE PEABODY—SOUTHERN EDUCATION.

Humanitarians and those interested in educational matters, will be glad to learn that the interest on the $1,000,000 in gold, so generously given some two years ago by Mr. GEORGE PEABODY to advance the educational interests of the South, has not been diverted from its proper channel, and that its distribution in the Southern cities is producing the best results. The editor of the *Chronicle* of this city, Mr. ROMEY, appears to have paid some attention to this subject in his recent Southern trip. In an editorial to-day he says:

"There is hardly a Southern city whose schools have not been reorganized and encouraged. The colored children have been afforded equal opportunities with the children of the whites. How far this interest may be made to go, will be understood when we state that in some of the towns of the South the small sum of $200 or $300 serves to put the schools on a permanent basis; while in others, such as Atlanta, $9,000 added to the contributions of citizens themselves, revives and extends what had previously been imperfectly conducted."

The same paper adds:

"It is with regret we learn that this distinguished American is now in poor health at his residence in England. In a recent letter to President GRANT, he expresses his great desire to return to his native land, there to spend his last days."

CUBAN DISPATCHES.

Private dispatches received here within the last few days, by persons confidentially connected with the Cuban revolutionists, state that they have very little prospect of being successful unless they obtain material aid from the United States.

THE PACIFIC RAILROADS.

The first of May statement of the public debt, which was much more complete than any previously issued, and which has been somewhat imperfectly abstracted by the Press in general, presents certain facts respecting the account of the Government with the Pacific Railways, that are attracting considerable attention. Secretary BOUTWELL enables the country to perceive at a glance the comparative capacity of the several subsidized lines to reimburse the Government for aid extended. It will be seen, for example, that the Kansas Road, hitherto known as the Eastern Division, and which also at the thirty-fifth parallel route by Santa Fe, turns out to be on the line of so much traffic that one-half of its earnings for carrying done for the United States alone, being the fifty per cent. retained by law, has been nearly equal to the total interest on the bonds issued under authority of Congress to that Company. The Central Pacific shows a very different state of things. Out of over one and a half millions interest on twenty millions of bonds, it has reimbursed less than $75,000; out of $1,500,000 incurred on the Union Pacific, that Company has reimbursed about $719,0000.

SPECIAL TREASURY AGENT HOWE.

Colonel FRANK E. HOWE, who has been appointed Special Agent of the Treasury for the District of New-York, Connecticut and New-Jersey, is in the city. He has conferred with the Secretary of the Treasury for the purpose of receiving his instructions, and consulting upon the measures necessary for a thorough examination of the manner in which the Customs revenue is collected. Political influence had nothing to do with this appointment, but it was made in furtherance of the purpose of the President and Secretary to faithfully collect the revenues of the Government. A number of assistants will be assigned to Colonel HOWE for duty in his district, and a vigilant overhauling of Customs affairs is expected under this agency.

THE CONSULAR APPOINTMENTS.

About one hundred Consuls were appointed and confirmed during the recent session of Congress. The entire list is now undergoing a revision at the State Department, and a commission will not be issued to any one whose character and loyalty is not unimpeachable. Within the last few weeks charges which are now being investigated have been preferred against several of the appointees, and there are at least half a dozen gentlemen whose names have been dropped, and who will not be commissioned.

THE VIRGINIA ELECTION.

The question as to what portions of the Virginia Constitution will be submitted seperately to the people, will be decided at the Cabinet meeting on Tuesday. All parties in Virginia agree that the test oath clause should be submitted by itself, while there is considerable difference of opinion in reference to the county organization features, and the provision which prohibits the Legislature from passing a relief debtor law.

GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

The delegates from the Department of the Potomac to the Grand Army of the Republic National Encampment, which assembles at Cincinnati on Wednesday next, leave here to-morrow evening. General JOHN A. LOGAN, Grand Master of the United States, General CHITTENDEN, N. C., and Dr. COLLINS, A. A. G., and General DUNLAP, Grand Commander of the Department of the Potomac, leave here at the same time.

NEW WORKINGMEN'S LEAGUE.

The employes of the Washington Navy-yard, at a meeting on Saturday evening, formed a protective league, similar in its organization to that of other societies of a like nature, passed resolutions condemnatory of the recent decision of the Attorney-General on the constitutionality of the Eight-hour law, and further resolved not to work longer than eight hours per day, unless the exigencies of the Government required it.

NAVY-YARD MATTERS.

The painting materials supplied to the Government at the different navy-yards for some time past, have been so much adulterated that orders have been issued directing the employment of a chemist whose duty it will be to protect the interests of the Department in this respect, and see that adulterated articles are promptly rejected.

PERSONAL.

Hon. JOHN R. FRENCH, the new Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, has made several changes in the staff of officials in attendance at the Capitol. The claims of soldiers and sailors of the late war were recognized in the distribution of the patronage, and a recent serenade to him testified their appreciation of his kindness.

NOTE SHAVERS.

There is an unscrupulous and unprincipled class of note shavers in this city, who do a thriving business in advancing small sums of money to needy Government employes, clerks and others, at ruinous rates of interest. Ten per cent. per month is said to be the lowest rate. Mr. CLAFF, the Congressional Printer, has issued an order prohibiting this extortion in the Government Printing Office, where it is said to prevail to a very great extent.

The Hunt for Office Subsiding—The New Bureau Officers—An "Examiner" of Patents—The New Demand of Gould, Fisk & Company on the Post Office Department—Worthless Claims on the Pension Office.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, Thursday, May 6, 1869.

The hunt for office has materially subsided, so far as the presence of office-seekers from a distance is concerned. But few remain. Nevertheless, on public reception days, a crowd, numbering sometimes hundreds, surges into the presence of the President, and, for hour upon hour, the same ceaseless story of unappreciated merits and disregarded claims is dinned into his ears, to be forgotten when the door closes upon the applicant. The people who make up these crowds are mostly resident here, and seek small positions, such as clerkships and various other minor appointments. No such applicant ever believes that the President can do nothing for him, until he has seen him and been told that he must present his case to the proper department.

The several chiefs of bureaus, recently appointed, are all now installed. The Fifth and Sixth Auditors, the Commissioners of Pensions, Patents and Indian Affairs, the new Solicitor of the Treasury, and the new Assistant Attorney-General, are all well in the harness and busily at work. The promise from most of these quarters is good, and many much-needed reforms are being initiated, especially in the Indian, Patent and Pension Bureaus. If all I hear about the new Commissioner of Patents be true, the public service has achieved a valuable officer, and the politicians have "caught a Tartar." He has the advantage of a thorough practical knowledge of the peculiar duties of the office, and can therefore judge at once of its necessities and the degree of efficiency which its machinery requires. It is said that he has declined to submit to the dictation of political influence in making removals and appointments, and that he has established the principle of efficiency as the first test to be applied in all cases. As his department requires peculiarly skilled talent, the possession of which can only be demonstrated after thorough investigation, he has declined to appoint any new men to leading positions, but to fill such as may become vacant by worthy promotion, and put the new appointees in the subordinate positions and let them work their way up. A good story is told of a certain member of Congress, who waited on the Commissioner and introduced a constituent, who presented his application for the position of "Examiner of Patents." The member indorsed his friend as an eminently fit man for the position. The faithly orthoeraphy did not preposess the Commissioner, neither did the rather uncultured appearance of the applicant. But the former thought that possibly within that rough exterior might exist some peculiar development of transcendent genius, so he subjected him to a brief examination: "Ever study mechanics?" "No." "Ever investigate any particular branch of mechanical science?" "No." "Ever invent anything?" "No." "Then you have no practical knowledge of any branch of mechanics or science necessary for this peculiar class of duties?" "No; but I think I could learn to a little while?" This, I am told, was an actual incident.

The following facts and figures fully illustrate the character of the demand made by JAY GOULD of the Erie Railway Company for increase of pay for the postal service. From New-York to Middletown, sixty-seven miles, the present pay is $600 per mile per annum, the extreme allowed by law, and consequently no increase is demanded; from Middletown to Dunkirk, 270 miles, present pay $[illegible] per mile, $600 per mile is demanded; from Hornellsville to Attica, sixty miles, present pay $[illegible] per mile, increase to $600 per mile demanded; from Attica to Buffalo, thirty-one miles, present pay, $60 per mile, $600 per mile demanded; from Salamanca to Corry, sixty-one and a half miles, present pay $160 per mile, $600 per mile demanded; from Corry to Dayton, (Atlantic and Great Western,) 22 miles, present pay $75 per mile, $600 per mile demanded; from Leavittsburg to Cleveland, fifty miles, present pay $30 per mile, $600 per mile demanded. On the other branches, to wit: from Corning to Attica, 111 miles, pay $60, and from Avon to Rochester, eighteen miles, pay $44 44, an increase to $120 per mile is demanded; from Piermont to Sufferns, eighteen miles, pay $42 86; from Newburg to Chester, nineteen miles, pay $42 64; from Alton to Carrollton, twenty-five miles, pay $40, and from Lockawaxen to Honesdale, Meadville to Oil City and Leavittsburg to Youngstown, in all seventy miles, pay $30 per mile; increase to $120 per mile is asked. It will be seen that the Company already receives for its main line from New-York to Dunkirk, 450 miles, nearly the extreme price allowed under the law, to wit, $600 per mile for sixty-seven miles, and $275 per mile for 383 miles, with twelve trips per week. The average amount of mail carried over this line, at the last returns, was 5,408 pounds per day, while the common average of other roads receiving $225 to $275 per mile was $6,780 pounds per day. It will be seen that the increase demanded is mainly for the Atlantic and Great Western division from Salamanca to Dayton, 383 miles, where the total pay per annum for the service now is $60,600, and the Erie Company (the lessees of the road) now asks $116,600. The public will please note the unreasonable character of this demand. The average weight of mails per day between Salamanca and Corry is 672 pounds, and between Corry and Dayton 848 pounds. The pay is $160 and $75 per mile respectively. The common average weight on $160 roads is 2,600 pounds, and on $75 roads 600 pounds. Number of trips per week on this route, six; and mail apartments eight by ten feet. The same pay is demanded for this service as is received by roads carrying 6,000 pounds per day, and making twelve trips per week.

The Department was first notified on the 14th of January last, by Mr. GOULD, as President of the Company, that this increase would be demanded on and after the 1st of February. In answer to Mr. GOULD'S letter, the Department inclosed a statement of the facts above cited, remarking that the return of the weights of mails on the Erie Railway routes for April, 1867, were very imperfect; that a new "Railroad weight circular" would be issued to the proprietors of the roads in New-England and New-York, to obtain data upon which to have the readjustment of pay for the new contract term in those States, to commence July 1, 1869; and that when the Erie Railway Company furnished new returns, in compliance with the call about to be made upon them, the subject of the readjustment of the rates would be taken up for consideration, but not before. Mr. GOULD declined to accede to this postponement, and said he should apply to the Governor for the appointment of a commission, under the laws of the state of New-York, to fix the rates of pay.

The Department rejected Feb. 26, 1869, that the recommendation of any such Commission would have due weight when the question of readjustment came up. Subsequently, about the 2d of March, an attorney representing the Company verbally inquired at the Department if a temporary readjustment of rates could not be effected, so as to afford some increase. The Department replied by submitting a plan making the aggregate pay $[illegible], an increase of $[illegible], to take effect March 1. This offer was not accepted. On the 21st of April orders were issued by the Department, in the regular course of business, to pay the Erie Railroad Company, for carrying mails on the routes formerly under contract to the Atlantic and Great Western Company, at the usual rates, and a circular was addressed to Mr. GOULD notifying him of the fact. He replied by the following telegram:

NEW-YORK, April 22, 1869.

J. A. J. Cresswell, Postmaster-General, Washington:

I am in receipt of communication from Central Ohio, dated, and to close April 21, claiming to be rates to be allowed on for mail transportation. I beg to refer to my communication of your predecessor, dated of January 14, in which we gave the prices we should charge for said service. The prices named were fair and reasonable, and we must insist that settlement be made on the basis of the letter referred to, or we shall be compelled to decline the service. Answer. JAY GOULD,

President Erie Railroad Company.

To which the Postmaster-General replied:

POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT,
WASHINGTON, May 5, 1869.

To Jay Gould, Esq., President Erie Railroad Company:

Your telegram of April 22 was submitted to me today. The correspondence in the Erie Railroad Company for carrying the mails was fairly fixed by the Department, according to existing laws, and the nature and amount of service rendered. I therefore respectfully decline to yield to your demand for increased pay, as stated in your communication of 14th January last. The Department will do justice to the extent of its authority, but cannot consent that you alone shall determine the compensation for your own services. JNO. A. J. CRESWELL,

Postmaster-General.

Thus the matter stands at present.

The Pension Bureau has latterly been annoyed by a peculiar class of claims from the State of New-York, the worthlessness of which should be fully understood. It seems that in 1866 an act was passed by the Legislature of New-York authorizing the Adjutant and Inspector-Generals to receive proof and to ascertain and determine the sums due for the contingent expenses of the militia and the members of any of the Indian tribes of the State, during the war of 1812. Many thousand certificates of the amounts found due were issued to claimants, in accordance with this authority. The act further provided that a report should be made to the Legislature on or before Feb. 1, 1869, of the number and whole amount of the claims, in order that proper measures might be adopted to obtain payment thereof from the Government of the United States; and whenever any moneys should be so received, to be distributed pro rata among those holding certificates. The motives of this action have never been fully understood, and as no such fund has ever been created by the Government, the certificates are of no more value than Confederate bonds, and the holders thereof will confer a favor upon a bureau already over-crowded with pressing work, by withholding further inquiries in regard to their character. OYMON.

SOUTH AND CENTRAL AMERICA.

Arrival of the Steamship Henry Chauncey from Aspinwall $350,329 in Treasure.

The steamship *Henry Chauncey*, which left Aspinwall May 1, reached this port yesterday. She brings the specie referred to in the subjoined

TREASURE LIST.

Eugene Kelly & Co.	$20,000	Lees & Walker	$[illegible]
Duncan, Sherman & Co.	20,000	Maitland, Phelps & Co.	[illegible]
Morris Moses	10,000	S. S. Isaacs & Asch	[illegible]
Wells, Fargo & Co.	10,000	Trower & Colgate	[illegible]
Aug. Belmont & Co.	100,000	Order	[illegible]
		Total	$[illegible]

United States of Colombia—Conflagration at Barranquilla—Panama Quiet—Health of the City.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Saturday, May 1, 1869.

We have had no news from Bogota, the capital, since my last. In my next I shall be able, probably, to give you the result of the attempt to reconsider the vote rejecting the Cisling-Cuna Treaty. I wrote you in my last that it was currently reported in Santa Martha that the treaty had finally failed to get a second hearing.

A fire at Barranquilla, in the State of Magdalena, had destroyed the cotton warehouse of HONEBERG & WEBBEL. Loss $40,000.

The State of Panama is quiet at present. The President is in the interior showing himself, escorted by thirty men and a band of music.

The report that the United States war ship *Dakotah* had gone ashore on the Whale's Back, in Peru, is contradicted. She is safe at Callao.

The small-pox still prevails in this city. It having exhausted pretty much all of the negro material, it is now afflicting the whites, several of whom are now sick. No deaths among the latter, however, have occurred.

There is no United States war ship in Panama. In Aspinwall we have the gunboat *Gettysburg*.

South and Central America—The Chilian Congress—Church and State—Bolivia and Peru—Yellow Fever—Death of the American Consul at Callao.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PANAMA, Saturday, May 1, 1869.

We have dates from Valparaiso and Santiago de Chili to the 10th, from Lima and Callao to the 22d, and from Ecuador to the 24th April. The news is of but little importance.

CHILI.

A quorum had finally been obtained, and the Chilian Congress met on the 5th ult. Nothing important had been done. The right of the civil authorities to review the acts of ecclesiastics was being discussed, and the question of allowing a separation of the Church from the State agitated.

The *Liberdad* says active operations will shortly be commenced at the guano deposits at the Morro Mejillones, either by Mr. MEIGGS, or by Mr. LOPEZ GAMA, the latter gentleman having obtained a concession of 180,000 tons of guano from the Bolivian Government. The following new ports have been opened: Peña Blanca, establishment of GIBBS & Co., and Coloso, of CARAMANTES & MORENO.

Rich silver discoveries were reported at Cabeza de Vaca and at Lomas Bay.

The Indians in Arauco were still very troublesome.

BOLIVIA.

A report was current that the President of Bolivia had crossed the frontier to make war on Peru, but it was not credited. Yellow fever still continued its ravages at Cobija.

PERU.

The United States Consul at Callao, JAMES HENRY MCCULLEY, died at Lima, of yellow fever, on the 17th of April. Mr. MCCULLEY was a native of Delaware, but was appointed from Pennsylvania in 1864.

The yellow fever was increasing in Lima, but not much was allowed to be printed about it. In the South the epidemic was said to be decreasing.

Señor GALVEZ, Minister of the Interior, had resigned.

Political Conventions.

Calls for political State Conventions, &c., have been issued as follows:

MAY 10—Texas Republican State Convention in Galveston.

May 12—National Convention Grand Army of the Republic in Cincinnati.

May 17—Maryland Colored Men's Republican State Convention in Baltimore, (called by ISAAC MYERS, Secretary of the State Executive Committee, to organize a State Central Committee.)

May 26—Republican Convention for Third Congressional District of Illinois, to nominate a successor to Hon. E. R. WASHBURNE.

May 27—Kentucky Republican State Convention in Lexington.

May 27—Virginia Colored Men's State Convention in Richmond.

June 1—Maryland Colored Men's State Convention in Baltimore, (called by the colored citizens of Baltimore to further their political organization in the State, and to appoint a State Central Committee.)

June 1—New-York State Temperance Convention in Syracuse.

June 1—New-York Colored Men's State Convention in Albany.

June 10—Iowa Republican State Convention in Des Moines.

June 22—Pennsylvania Republican State Convention in Philadelphia.

June 23—Ohio Republican State Convention in Columbus.

June 24—Maine Republican State Convention in Bangor.

July 14—Pennsylvania Democratic State Convention in Harrisburg.

July 21—California Republican State Convention in Sacramento.

THE HAYTIAN FRAUDS.

Further Examination in the Case of the Illegal Counterfeiters.

Interesting Affidavits of the Parties Accused.

Other and More Extensive Counterfeiting Operations Discovered.

Some further and very interesting developments in the case of the counterfeit Haytian currency were made public yesterday at the formal examination held at the Tombs Police Court before Justice HOGAN. It will be remembered that JOHN RUSS, WM. H. H. JONES, and ALPHONSE BRETT were arrested on Saturday and arraigned before the Magistrate to answer a complaint made by ANASBERTE LABOCHE, the Haytian Minister and Consul-General in the United States, who accused them of having willfully and knowingly entered into the manufacture of 400,000 counterfeit $5 notes of the Haytian currency. The details of the case were fully narrated in yesterday's TIMES. The prisoners came up from a temporary remand in the custody of Detectives FURNIAGH and FARLEY, and were accompanied by Mr. A. W. TEENEY as their counsel. The Haytian Minister did not appear, but the interests of his Government were represented by his Vice-Consul, Mr. ELWOOD COOPER, and Mr. DEXTER A. HAWKINS as his legal counsel in the case.

Mr. TEENEY stated that Messrs. BRETT and JONES had consistent and valid defence to offer, and desired permission to present their affidavits, which being granted he proceeded to read the documents.

WM. H. H. JONES, a printer at No. 85 Nassau-street, in his statement says that he occupied a portion of the same floor with BRETT & Co., but is not connected with that firm at present, though he was in partnership with the members prior to 1861. BRETT came to him in 1867 and asked his opinion and advice with regard to the printing of the Haytian currency bills. JONES volunteered to see Captain JOHN S. YOUNG, then in command of the detective force at Police Headquarters, and acquaint him with the facts as narrated by BRETT. He did so at the request of BRETT, and Captain YOUNG told him to go on and print the bills, and should any complaint be afterward made with reference to the transaction, the Police would then be able to reach the guilty parties without much trouble. After having had this lucid exhibition of the headquarters manner of conducting Police work afforded him by the worthy Captain of Police, JONES informed BRETT of the fact.

Mr. BRETT'S statement was to the effect that, acting on the information received from his friend and former partner, JONES, he proceeded to execute the work intrusted to him. The groundwork of the engraving of the bills was done by Messrs. BUSH & BARRON, lithographers and "zyglets," at their place of business in Nassau-street; the printing work was done in the office of BRETT, in the usual and regular way, in the presence of at least twenty workmen, and was delivered to RUSS, who paid for the same, with the exception of $250 still due. BRETT had known RUSS for nine years, and had frequent occasion to do commercial work for him.

Justice HOGAN then announced that he had received a note from the Haytian Minister, in which Señor LABOCHE stated that he had every reason to believe that the prisoners had executed the work in good faith, and as they had volunteered to give all the information in their power, with a view of aiding in the punishment of the real criminals, he had requested that they be released. Justice HOGAN expressed himself as of the same opinion, and at once dismissed the complaint. Counsel for the Haytian Government then requested that they be allowed to remain in the examination-room for the purpose of taking the affidavit of Mr. RUSS, with a view of having it properly attested and subscribed for use in the Republic of Hayti, on the Court-martial of those officials accused of being the principals in the scheme.

Mr. RUSS' statement proved a most interesting one, as it furnished such of the links in the chain as had been withheld by the detectives, and is appended as follows:

AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN RUSS.

JOHN RUSS, of No. 34 Sixth-avenue, being sworn, deposes and says: I am a native of Switzerland, and have resided fifteen years in the United States; my occupation is that of a hand-to-hand engraver; I am acquainted with Admiral Ravignaux, late commander of the Haytian man-of-war *Alexandre Pelion*, and also with Officer Clede and Officer Challet, the latter being an officer of artillery on said ship; these three officers spoke French—my mother tongue; in the month of October, 1867, Challet and Clede came to my place of business in Sixth-avenue, and brought me a sheet of bills of Haytian currency, of the denomination of two dollars, and asked me if I could engrave some like them; I said I could not do it myself, as I was not a branch of the engraving business, but that I thought I could find some one who could do it; this interview was held on a Sunday; the officers remained at my place about an hour; the whole conversation was about these bills, the engraving, the paper and all particulars relating to them; they wanted 200,000 of these bills printed; that would be $400,000; they told me they found me by asking a barkeeper for an engraver who could speak French, and he recommended them to me; I asked them what would be the cost of the bills, and I told them I would ascertain by the time of the next meeting; I went to see BRETT & Co. about it, and Mr. BRETT informed me that each 200,000 of the bills would cost about $1,100; he did not give me this information until after the second interview, which was about a week after the first; Clede and Challet agreed to the price at the second interview; I was to deliver the bills to the parties $5,000 at a time, and was to receive $[illegible] at each delivery; they deposited $[illegible] in advance $[illegible], and were to be paid for the remaining $1,400 of the bills delivered; I delivered four installments of the bills and received the amounts agreed upon; from October until the time the bills were delivered, the officers mentioned were at my place of action on a week; the first quantity of bills delivered by me to Clede and Challet was in March or April, 1868; they said they would keep the bills until the Haytian Police should be ready to sail for Hayti, and that they would be taken out to Hayti in that vessel; I conferred with Admiral Ravignaux; Commander of the Haytian Police, about fifteen times during a period of two months, about this money which I had had manufactured; the money for the second one hundred thousand of bills was not promptly paid by Challet and Clede, and they ordered me to the Admiral for the balance of the money; I accordingly demanded of Admiral Ravignaux the balance due me; the whole matter of the printing of the bills was talked over between me and the Admiral, and he promised to pay me the balance due on the contract during the following week; he afterward put me off for another week; I pay the Admiral twelve or fifteen times on this subject; on each occasion he promised to pay me in a few days; he paid me in all some [illegible] in United States money on account of the balance due me; there is still $[illegible] due me; the last installment of the bills was delivered by me a few days before the Alexandre Pelion sailed, which was in September, 1868; Challet and Clede took the bills away from my house in packages of 100 sheets at a time; there were twenty bills in each sheet; they were removed by me in two packages at a time, as they could conveniently carry them; I generally saw the Admiral with Challet in his quarters; they always took the bills at my place; I never delivered them at any other place; the 100,000 bills not delivered by me to Challet and Clede were delivered to me in July, 1868; they were all in one large package from BRETT & Co.; I divided them up into small packages of about 100 sheets each, and put them in a trunk; I kept them at my house until October, and then had the trunk and contents stored at Seaman's feed store in Fourth-street; when arrested, on Saturday, I told Officer FARLEY where the trunk was stored, and he went and got it and took it to Police Headquarters; when the sheets of bills were delivered to me by BRETT & Co., the numbers, letters and series were not inserted in the centre; Challet and Clede gave me instructions as to what should be inserted there, and brought to my house a German who could not speak French; this German, with some type, ink and a stamp, printed into the centre of the bill the letters, number and series—as, for instance, Bo. 2, 2, 2, Ser. B. 8; the same German stamped on the back of each bill a black and a red stamp; this German was at my house in all about twenty days, engaged in lettering, stamping and numbering these bills; he was paid for his services by Challet and Clede; Russ further testified that Clede and Challet had shown him specimens of red, blue and yellow issues of the Haytian currency, representing fives, tens, fifties and one hundreds, and wanted to know where they could have their printed.

The rest of the deposition of Mr. RUSS was withheld from the representatives of the Press by Mr. HAWKINS, the counsel for the Haytian Minister, on the plea that it contained information, implicating persons alleged to be engaged in the manufacture of these colored issues, who have not been arrested. It is understood, however, that the affidavits of RUSS afford information that shows that these Haytian naval officers were engaged in procuring the manufacture of these colored issues

AFFAIRS IN GEORGIA.

Things Agricultural—David Dickson, the Cotton Oracle—Other Successful Planters—Bishop Pierce—Speedy Completion of the Augusta and Macon Railroad—The Feud Between the Radicals and Republicans—Desertion of Caldwell—Relief Law Declared Unconstitutional—The Forney Party.

From Our Own Correspondent.

SPARTA, HANCOCK COUNTY, Ga., Saturday, May 1, 1869.

Although the recent heavy rains, with but short intervals of fair weather, have somewhat retarded planting operations, on the whole the agriculturists of Middle Georgia are "well up" with their work, and cotton planting may be said to be almost finished. Most of it is up and looking healthy and strong. Corn, too, of which I am glad to find a much larger area has been planted than was at one time supposed, is looking very well, and unless something disastrous and unforeseen happen, the crop will be large, even for the number of acres planted, because "book farming," hitherto so much derided, has been much more largely adopted than in previous years.

Of all the counties outside of what is caled, *par excellence*, the cotton district of Georgia, this Hancock County is the most productive. Here reside and plant Mr. DAVID DICKSON, Mr. SIMPSON and Mr. TURNER with a number of faithful imitators and disciples, and nowhere can there be found more thoroughly skilled professors of practical farming than the gentlemen I have named. It is incalculable the good they have done in their neighborhood, and, indeed, in every part of Georgia their example and precepts have proved beneficial. They have demonstrated the value of scientific agriculture, of system and of intelligent industry, and have exposed the wasteful folly of the old system of scratching the surface, extracting crop after crop until the land becomes perfectly exhausted, and then repeating the process, never dreaming of using manure, and believing that breaking the land more than a couple of inches "kills" it. The individual, in the fable, who killed the goose that laid the golden egg, was provident compared with the farmers of the old school. Thousands and thousands of acres in every county, now grown up in stunted pines, and presenting a barren red surface, were once good land. They are now the slaughtered geese that laid golden eggs.

Messrs. DICKSON, SIMPSON and TURNER have proved that lending money to their land is the best and most lucrative investment, and that improving the land they have got pays better than buying "new ground" when the old is exhausted to barrenness. At first they were regarded as crazy men. Plowing the soil with two and four horses, and with large turn plows, and using guano and commercial fertilisers, were considered "all foolishness." It was thought they "must break at that business," and that applying from ten to twenty dollars' worth per acre of that "stuff that smells so bad," was, in itself, sufficient proof of lunacy. After some time, however, it appeared that they gathered and sent to market a much larger number of bales of cotton than their old-fashioned neighbors; that their corn-cribs were fuller; that they had more wheat in their bins; that their horses, mules, cattle, wagons, harness and implements were in better condition and lasted longer than those of the primitive school; and that they never owed anybody a cent, and always had plenty of money. They were the first to use the commercial manures liberally, and the first to find that it paid better than any other investment of capital to use them at a cost of even $50 per acre.

The result is now that no county in Middle Georgia produces as much per acre of arable land as Hancock County, although the soil generally is extremely poor from the ill-usage of the ante-Dickson days, and no county in proportion to its size uses anything like the same quantity of the guanos, phosphates and land-plaster.

Mr. DAVID DICKSON who, I believe, commenced life as a storekeeper (dry goods, &c.) in this village, is now universally admitted to be the best, most successful and most intelligent planter in Georgia. He is not by any means the largest planter, however. Mr. LOCKETT, Mr. LEE JORDAN, Captain JOHN A. COBB and others in southwestern Georgia, plant double and treble the quantity of land, own double and treble the number of mules, horses, &c., and employ very many more laborers, but at the end of the year take the number of bales per acre of all the plantations and Mr. DICKSON incontestably carries off the palm. He raises from a bale to a bale and a half on all his land, and on parts of it produces as much as three bales, or 1,500 pounds of lint cotton. To look at his plantation you are not struck by any particular neatness, fancy fences or evenly-divided fields. On the contrary, you are disappointed at the rough, untidy appearance of the face of the farm. But the stock look well. The plowing is admirable, the hands work systematically, and the crops in all their stages of growth look more vigorous and healthier than those of other people. Mr. DICKSON is an eminently practical man. He has no idea of æsthetics. He does nothing for appearances. He does everything to make money. He is illeducated, an old bachelor and devoted to putting one dollar on the top of another. Year after year once he went to farming and quit dry goods, he experimented with manures of different kinds for cotton, at first on a small scale and cautiously, until he discovered that the combination of genuine Peruvian guano, land-plaster, dissolved bones and salt was the "perfect manure" for cotton, and once found, he "made a note on't," and has used it lavishly, being, I believe, the largest individual customer of Mr. MERRYMAN, of Baltimore. He has contributed many useful, instructive and eminently practical articles, on the substance of articles, to the *Southern Cultivator*, in which he has given detailed accounts of his mode of culture. Without any pretension to scientific skill, and without using a term that every farmer cannot understand, he has explained the whole process of cotton culture in its smallest minutiæ, and has described all the implements which are used and which are the most effective. He seems to have devoted all his intellect to the study of how to raise the most cotton on a given quantity of land, has pursued the study laboriously and patiently, and has found that by deep culture before seed time, and heavy manuring, and by very shallow and frequent culture while the plant is maturing, he can produce from two to three bales per acre upon the ordinary uplands of one of the poorest counties in Georgia. If he is to be honored who can make two blades of grass grow where one grew before, how much more is Mr. DICKSON to be honored, who has made two or three bales of cotton, worth $150 per bale, where 150 pounds of seed cotton, worth $13, used to be made before?

This year, stimulated by the high prices, and encouraged by the large sums he received last year, Mr. DICKSON has planted very largely, with great care and with great quantities of guano, dissolved bones, plaster and salt. He sold all of his cotton seed that he could spare, at from $2 to $5 per bushel, in a few weeks after it was known that he would sell them, thus adding from $20 to $100 per bale to the value of his cotton, and daily receives hatfuls of letters asking all sorts of questions as to "how he does it."

I have written chiefly about Mr. DICKSON, because people speak of him more than they do of others. He has been more "written up" than Mr. SIMPSON or Mr. TURNER; but, personally, I am confident that Mr. SIMPSON is quite as skillful, quite as successful, and quite as intelligent a farmer. He raises a species of cotton superior to DICKSON, more prolific, less given to weed, and of earlier maturity. Some people sell it the shorter cotton, from the bunches of bolls close to the stalks and on the short limbs. The staple is very fine, and all who have tried the Simpson cotton are satisfied that it is equal to the best. From all I can learn, Mr. SIMPSON makes as many bales per acre as his better-known fellow-citizen, and, while he says very little, does a great deal. He is a very intelligent gentleman, and has the advantage over Mr. DICKSON that he is married and has a family.

The negro laborers are working well and faithfully. The complaints are few. There are not as many hands employed this year as before, because they are not here to be employed. Many have gone to the Georgia negro's Mecca, the City of Atlanta; many have gone to work on the new railroads, some have died, and some have "gone to themselves," that is, rented a few acres of poor land, on which, with a wretched old mule, scant provisions and nobody to urge them to work, they cannot possibly make a livelihood. I have seen a great deal of "going to themselves" among the negroes during the last three years. In not one case in a hundred has it resulted otherwise than in lamentable failure.

Everything is quiet in this county. Politics are rarely discussed. People are intent on money-making, and, though they subscribe, merely read the newspapers. The two races get along admirably. Good pay on one side, and good work on the other, produce these happy relations.

Close to this place lives Rev. GEORGE PIERCE, Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church, one of the most gifted, eloquent and evangelical divines now living. His labors are unceasing, but they are abundantly fruitful. I have heard most of the eminent pulpit orators of the old and the new world, but, were I asked to say who I think is the most eloquent, I should unhesitatingly say Bishop PIERCE.

The Augusta and Macon Railroad passes near this place, and arrangements are now complete to finish it from Milledgeville to Macon.

The Radicals and Conservative Republicans are still at war. Their feud now seems irreconcilable. The former are suffering from desertion since the offices have been distributed. Mr. BULLOCK's promises of office under the Federal Government have not been fulfilled, and the disappointed attribute their failure to his want of exertion. The pugnacious Irishman, Mr. FITZPATRICK, who wanted "to bust the whole——concern wide open, to jaberies," was an applicant, it is said, for the Postmastership of the City of Macon, and he had BULLOCK's promise of earnest support. He failed to receive the appointment, and I hear that his explosives in describing his failure are more profane than elegant, and by no means flattering to the Governor, with whom, at no distant day, he purposes "to get even, don't you mind that."

The desertion and voluminous epistle of Rev. J. H. CALDWELL, erewhile one of the most earnest and untiring Radicals, has brought down on his reverend head curses both loud and deep from his late associates. He was an applicant for some place or other which he did not get, and hence, they say, these tears which he sheds copiously through nine columns of the *New Era*.

Then there occurred last week a "street fight" on a small scale between a son of State Treasurer ANGIER and an *aide-de-camp* of the Executive office, in which a bloody nose was the regrettable result.

Considerable excitement has been caused by the recent decision of the presiding Judge of the Superior Court for Oglethorpe County against the constitutionality of the Georgia Relief law. All the affidavits of debtors for the purpose of reopening judgments were dismissed, and the Sheriff ordered to proceed to levy and sell. Appeals have been taken, and the Supreme Court of the State and the lawyers will reap a rich harvest. As "relief" is so prominent in the present State Constitution, the question arises, is the State law at variance with the fundamental law of the Republic?

Mr. FORNEY and his prospecting party are daily expected to arrive in Georgia. From what he has published of the violent vagabondage of the Ku-klux Klan at Barnett, it is not to be supposed that Mr. FORNEY or his companions will invest in the neighborhood of that very diminutive village. I have visited it quite often within a short time, and, strange to say, none of the inhabitants ever heard of either of the Ku-klux gambols reported so graphically and minutely in the Washington *Chronicle*. The Macon *Journal & Messenger* promises Mr. FORNEY's party "civility and a cordial response to every approach made in a proper spirit and with an eye to business," and that they have nothing to fear "beyond a stray chill or a little abdominal inconvenience from eating too many strawberries and green peas."

I go further South to-morrow in my agricultural round of observation. QUONDAM.

Moderate Manures for Moderate Means.

Letter from Josiah Quincy.

To the Editor of the Boston Daily Advertiser:

There are, in the City of Philadelphia, many thousand small houses built, owned and occupied by persons who in New-York and Boston would share rooms in crowded tenements. Hon. Mr. FRALEY, President of the National Board of Trade, attributes this advantage, in a great degree, to the general use of "ground rent deeds" in that city. By these deeds the grantor conveys to the lessee the use of a lot of land forever. The lessee agrees to pay interest on a special capital, as rent, with the taxes and incidental expenses—to erect within a year, on the premises, a building of sufficient value to secure the rent so reserved, and to keep the same insured by a perpetual policy payable to the grantor. A proviso is inserted in the lease by which the grantor agrees that he will, at any time, on receiving the capital, convey the property in fee simple to the lessee.

The advantages to the lessee are evident. The father of a family, for instance, has laid up, or can command, $1,000. He wants a house, but his capital is insufficient to build one. If he buys a lot and mortgages it to secure the rest of the cost he will always find it difficult, that he or his family may be called upon for the payment of the principal, and this, in case of his sickness or death, may lead to a forfeiture of the estate. By the Philadelphia arrangement he is freed from this anxiety; he feels that he, and, in case of his death, his family will be sure of a house so long as they can pay a moderate rent, and if he is ever able, out of his savings, to pay the principal, he becomes the possessor of an unincumbered freehold property. The grantor holds a fee-simple in the estate, with a certainty of a permanent regular income, subject only to contingency, similar to that of the holder of an overdue mortgage, viz.: the election of the lessee to pay the principal.

There are upon railroads within ten miles of Boston suitable tracts of land that could be purchased for cash, at from $100 to $200 an acre. After deducting the amount needed for streets, and the expense of laying out and grading, there would remain for sale land costing by the acre less than $400. A lot 50 by 100, or 5,000 feet, could be sold without profit for $80. Add $25 for ornamental trees, which should be insisted on, and the lot could be leased for $4 50 per annum. If the owner of the lot would agree to advance, on the completion of the house, $1,000, on a lease like that used in Philadelphia, any person with a capital of $1,000 could at once erect a house worth $2,000, and hold it forever, at a rent of $65 a year. Before the purchase of a site, a bargain could be made with the railroad on which the proposed village would be located. Some Boston results, to insure an increase of their business, give to any person who will erect a house of a certain value on their line a free ticket for seven years, looking for remuneration during that time to the passage money of the rest of the family and their friends, and to the freight of coal, building materials, and other merchandise that must be paid to the road. Hyde Park has been built upon a different plan. The agent of the Company at first purchased a very large number of package tickets, which the directors of the road offered free with enough to sell him at the rate of a cent a mile, or 10 cents for the trip, on condition that they should be sold only to tenants and occupants of the houses. The result is that within eleven years a population has been planted there of five thousand souls, occupying nearly one hundred houses. The increase is more that planted by naturally slow means, as average, they cut up a house a day, and their agent tells me that at the present rate of sales every lot that they have ready for the market will be disposed of within three years. This result has been related to twelve cents; but as cents twelve are to twenty dollars to quarter, or forty-eight dollars a year, those who use the road daily get their pass for about eight cents.

Should an arrangement be made similar to that introduced into England, as above stated, the result to the lessee would be as follows. He would pay—

Interest on the cost of land, say ..... $
Interest on the sum advanced on $1,000 at 7 per cent ..... $
Insurance on his dwelling, say of $1,000 ..... $
Taxes, insurance, &c. ..... $
Total ..... $
or $135 a year, or about $3 a week. If desired to take a season ticket at $12 a quarter, 50 cents must be added, making a total of $3 75 for the week. For this would be obtained a small and convenient house and 5,000 feet of land, in a healthy situation, where in a short time there would be a population that would insure the erection of school-houses and the other conveniences of a village. Besides this, it would give the lessee a moderate garden spot at first, and render it almost certain that within a few years, he could sell half of it for a price that would pay the principal on the house he occupies.

To carry this plan into effect it is only necessary to obtain the premium of funds for the purchase and preparation of the land whereon a suitable tract can be secured and suitable arrangements made with the railroads. The property, until a charter is obtained, could be conveyed, as it was at Hyde Park, to trustees. The advance required by the builder could be made either by individuals or the Company, without risk, and the lease held as an investment or transferred to other capitalists.

If these views are correct, an opportunity is offered by which, without risk of capital, a permanent benefit may be secured to a laboring important class of the community who are now subjected to unnecessarily high rents for comfort. and unhealthy houses.

Should any persons be willing to cooperate in carrying out the above suggestions, I will on receiving their names, call a meeting for the further consideration of the subject.

JOSIAH QUINCY.

A Note from Mr. Snow.

WASHINGTON, Friday, May 5, 1869.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

My attention having been called to a card in the NEW-YORK TIMES of yesterday, signed "C. S. BUSHNELL, Company Director, U. P. R. R.," asking you to explain the "animus" of my report on the condition of the Union Pacific Railway, I deem it proper to state for the information of all concerned, that President Jennison, being aware that I was educated as a civil engineer and surveyor, and that I had had more than ten years of practical experience in the construction and management of railways, and having confidence in my ability and integrity, appointed me a Government Director of the Union Pacific Railroad, with a view to ascertain the actual working condition of the road. Having accepted that trust, I faithfully performed the duties enjoined thereby. I propose to stand upon the facts embraced in my report. If I have misstated or misrepresented the condition or operation of the road, such errors can be more easily and effectually disproved by the presentation of credible testimony refuting them, than by any attempts of the Company to divert the attention of the public from their villainies by personal attacks on myself. The public cares nothing for me, personally, while it is exceedingly jealous of its rights and interests in the Union Pacific Railroad. The Company must meet the issues made in my report. I am not to be diverted from them by any such immaterial or falsehoods, personal to myself, as those uttered by Mr. BUSHNELL.

When Mr. BUSHNELL says his company will expend millions of dollars to complete their road perfectly, (*i. e.*, in a manner fit for acceptance by the Government,) and maintain their rights, and not one dollar save for "black mail," he actually pleads guilty to the charges in my report that money had been paid for former fabulous reports, and that millions more would be required to be expended before the work would be entitled to the name of a "first-class road."

I am rejoiced, as a citizen, to be informed that the Company has provided the means to pay the July interest on the Government bonds, and to perfect the entire line of road. I shall be still further rejoiced when I know that the Company has prepared to pay the millions of interest already accrued on the bonds issued to it by the Government. Respectfully, yours,

C. S. SNOW.

A Sad Case of Drowning.

On Friday morning last a colored man named SHIVE, in the employ of JEREMIAH MOORE, of Greenport, while plowing in a lot near the waters of the Sound, halted his plow beside a huge solid rock, and while standing at his ease was greatly astonished upon beholding between two rocks the form of a human being. On approaching closer to the scene, the object of his curiosity became more visible, and revealed the lifeless form of a little boy about eight years of age. Summoning assistance, the body was raised from its position above the reach of the tide, and the Coroner notified. In the evening an inquest was held by Coroner BRIGGS, and, as there appeared to be no evidence to prove the identity of the deceased, the Court was about adjourning, when a German peddler, with his pack on his back, made his way to the room where the body was laid, and with a pitiable cry pronounced the boy to be his nephew. After the man had become composed and quieted, he stated that the boy's name was THOMAS SAUNDERS, and that he had been recently from London, Conn. The mother of the boy was immediately telegraphed for and arrived on Saturday afternoon and identified the remains as that of her son Thomas, also stating that he had been missing from his home about two weeks, and although the parents had been reported to us with a view to recovering him, all proved unavailing. The body was given to the distressed parent and taken to New-London for interment. The means by which the body became lodged between the rocks is not positively known, but it is supposed that the boy was drowned and the body was washed there by the tide.

Base Ball—Matches this Week.

May 10—Champion, of Jersey City, vs. Atlantic, on the Capitoline Ground, at 3 P. M.

May 11—Mutual vs. Olympic, at Union Ground.

May 12—Picked Nines of Jersey and Brooklyn, on the Capitoline Ground, at 3 P. M.

May 13—Atlantic vs. Princeton, on the Capitoline Ground.

May 14—Mutual vs. Champion, at Union Ground.

May 15—Mutual vs. Princeton, at Union Ground.

THE WEEK'S PROGRAMME.

Six fine contests between first-class nines are to be the features of the present week's play on the Capitoline and Union Grounds, Brooklyn, as will be seen by the above list, which can be relied on. Last week the weather was rather unfavorable, high winds and a chilly atmosphere prevailing to a considerable extent. The promise of the coming week is that we shall have more genial weather, and that there will be a much greater attendance at the ball grounds.

The match to-day will be an interesting one, the Champions never having before played with the Atlantics. The game for Wednesday will be still more interesting, as the contesting nines include some of the strongest players New-York and New-Jersey can present.

Cricket.

The St. George Club opened play for the season on Saturday, on their ground at Hudson City, and the weather being fine there was quite a muster of the members, a good game being had, terminating with a dinner at the Club-house.

To-day the New-York Club open play on their grounds foot of Ninth-street, Hoboken, on which occasion they hope to see their friends of other clubs. A collation will close the day's proceedings on Saturday.

On Wednesday the Manhattan Club open play on the same grounds.

Strike of Iron Moulders.

The members of the Iron Moulders' Union of this City gave notice about a week ago to their employers that they would strike to-day unless an increase of ten per cent. was paid upon their wages. A number of employing firms acquiesced in the new scale, but, up to Saturday, a portion still opposed the rise. It will be seen to-day whether the journeyman become successful. They have great hopes of gaining their point without the unpleasant alternative of striking. The iron moulders of this City, connected with the Union, number over 1,500, and throughout the country there are 11,000 belonging to the different Unions. The wages of iron moulders here have been raised but fifty per cent, while the cost of the general necessaries of life have been much greater.

LAW REPORTS.

COURT CALENDARS FOR MONDAY.

SUPREME COURT—CIRCUIT.

Part I.—Held by Sutherland, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Motions and Trouverse.

Nos.
1066—Cutter vs. Lord.
1068—Windmuller et al. vs. Union Ins. Co.
1069—McCormick vs. Penn. Central R. R. Co.
1087—Merrian vs. Kelly et al.
[illegible]—Gerhard vs. Bray.
[illegible]—Lewenthal vs. Ray.
[illegible]—Kenny vs. Berth et al.
[illegible]—Mathews vs. Stedman.
[illegible]—Mathews vs. Egerton.

Part II.—Held by Foshay, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.
1102—Stewart vs. Stewart.
[illegible]—Wallace, Adm'r, &c., vs. Ruphal.
[illegible]—Arrington et al. vs. Impetor and Crockett Bank.
[illegible]—Spencer et al. vs. Al[illegible] et al.
[illegible]—Lyons et al. vs. Wells, Fargo & Co.
[illegible]—Rumsfield et al. vs. [illegible].
[illegible]—Jones et al. vs. Farrar.
[illegible]—Sandford et al. vs. Sandford.
[illegible]—Wilson vs. London Brown.
[illegible]—Aubuck vs. Glass Co. vs. Brown.

SUPREME COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part III.—Held by Gardner, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.
[illegible]—People ex rel. Stevens vs. Cullen.
[illegible]—People ex rel. Gwin vs. Bell.
1288—Kalbach vs. Van Ness.
[illegible]—Treadwell vs. Brooklyn City R. R. Co.
[illegible]—Clifton Chemical Works vs. White et al.
[illegible]—Rickard, Adm'r, vs. Rockaway.
[illegible]—Bonnegey vs. Receiver vs. Hayck et al.
[illegible]—Lansberg vs. Loeffler.
1295—Farmer vs. Shepard.
1297—Sharkey vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1298—Orton, Jr., vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1299—Clancy vs. Byrne.
1300—Murphy et al. vs. Sherwood.
1302—Southard et al. vs. Lord et al.
[illegible]—Shaw and W. & Van C. R. R.
[illegible]—Thomas et al. vs. Cox et al.
[illegible]—Lawrence vs. Brosnan.
[illegible]—McAbrews vs. Robby.

Part IV.—Held by [illegible], J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.
1063—McCabe vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1295—Edelhelm vs. Whallmiller et al.
1314—Mason vs. Jones et al.
1320—Irving Nat'l Bank vs. Miller et al.
1119—Stewart vs. Kelly.
1312—Schwab vs. Kelly.
1316—Weaver et al. vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1176—Van Vy vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1320—Reynolds vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1320—Brown vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.

SUPREME COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part III.—Held by Gardner, J.—Court opens at 10:30 A. M.

Nos.
[illegible]—Hitsch vs. Tousky et al.
[illegible]—Grow vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1448—G. L. & N. R. R. Bridge Co. vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
1442—Smith vs. Sheriff, &c.
[illegible]—Hatch vs. Davis.
[illegible]—Hamilton vs. Lambkins.
[illegible]—Morris Manf. Co. vs. McCome et al.
[illegible]—Hines vs. Kelly.
1120—Clark vs. Gardner.
1216—Williams vs. Ely.
[illegible]—Kelly vs. Slegle et al.

SUPREME COURT—SPECIAL TERM.

Motions to be decided at 10:30 A. M.

Motions of Law and Fact.

Nos.
[illegible]—Brunswick vs. Farmers' Loan and Trust Co.
[illegible]—Stevens et al. vs. Wright et al.
[illegible]—Stevens vs. Lyman et al.
[illegible]—Crosland vs. Townsend et al.
[illegible]—N. Y. L. I. and Trust Co. vs. Andrews, Receiver, et al.
[illegible]—Reynolds vs. Townsend.
[illegible]—Sutter vs. Powell et al.
[illegible]—Gookin vs. Mooney.
[illegible]—Gallinger vs. Gallinger.

SUPREME COURT—CHAMBERS.

Hold by Clerke, J.—Court opens at 10 A. M.—Calendar called at 11 M.

Nos.
[illegible]—Baker vs. Hoist.
[illegible]—Pyrie vs. Holtgrave.
[illegible]—Lawrence vs. Haw.
[illegible]—Lee vs. Bischoff.
[illegible]—The Mayor, &c., vs. Ackerman.
[illegible]—Dragon vs. Fields.
[illegible]—The People, &c., Ward vs. Ward.
[illegible]—Wood vs. Gilmore.
[illegible]—In Matter of Quackenboss.
[illegible]—Brumley vs. Kerr.
[illegible]—Silven vs. Tucker.
[illegible]—Sears vs. Same.
[illegible]—Fiske, Jr., vs. Amos.
[illegible]—Same, Jr., vs. Same.
[illegible]—Fray vs. Goldmeyer.
[illegible]—Bloomer vs. Nevins.
[illegible]—Howard vs. Ripley.
[illegible]—Schaefer vs. Parkes.
[illegible]—Haight vs. Webster.
[illegible]—Ower, Sheriff, &c., vs. Glenville Woolen Co. et al.

Call No. 194—Richmond, &c., vs. Thomson et al.

SUPERIOR COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Jones, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.
[illegible]—Mead, Jr., vs. Mead et al.
[illegible]—Kuntzel et al. vs. Curtis et al.
[illegible]—Lucas vs. Phelan et al.
[illegible]—N. Y. & J. R. R. Co. vs. Elmore.
[illegible]—Cobb vs. Planer et al.
[illegible]—Brumley vs. O'Brien, Sheriff, &c.
[illegible]—Lowry, Receiver, vs. Hall et al.
[illegible]—Yeager et al. vs. Freer.
[illegible]—Hawkins vs. Bliss, Jr.
[illegible]—Van Tassel vs. Walker.

Part II.—Held by Monell, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.
[illegible]—Fay, admr., &c., vs. Pendergast et al.
[illegible]—Furniss vs. Orr.
[illegible]—Hay vs. Douglass.
[illegible]—Meyerson vs. Schenck et al.
[illegible]—Gallagher vs. Prosser.
[illegible]—Jackson et al. vs. Stevens et al.
[illegible]—Moncuse et al. vs. De Lavelette.

COMMON PLEAS—TRIAL TERM.

Part I.—Held by Daly, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.
[illegible]—Heiter vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
[illegible]—Heydecker vs. Kelly.
[illegible]—Keating vs. Yale.
[illegible]—Harris vs. Dowling.
[illegible]—Dunbaum vs. Silbermann.
[illegible]—Dunham (alias O'Brien) vs. Hervey Sey. Bank.
[illegible]—Palmer vs. Nunnberg.

Part II.—Held by Barrett, J.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.
[illegible]—Allen vs. Schwarz.
[illegible]—Brandreth et al. vs. Kelly, Sheriff, &c.
[illegible]—Mayland vs. L. I. Rail. Locomotive Co.
[illegible]—Kinney vs. Blount.
[illegible]—Fisher et al. vs. Brunning.
[illegible]—Engle et al. vs. Spotts et al.
[illegible]—Rogers vs. St. John.
[illegible]—Fisher et al. vs. Lockman.

MARINE COURT—TRIAL TERM.

Calendar called by Alker, J., at 10 A. M.

Nos.
[illegible]—Carpenter vs. Central Pack. N. and R.
[illegible]—River Railroad.
[illegible]—Hilton vs. Wilkins.
[illegible]—Connel vs. Brown.
[illegible]—Randlett vs. Hobbard.
[illegible]—Kearney vs. Foulke.
[illegible]—Brasher, Jr., Hess Manf.
[illegible]—Worling vs. Gregson.
[illegible]—Kinney vs. Furniture.
[illegible]—Carter vs. Preston.
[illegible]—Rathbone vs. Ralphs.
[illegible]—Hoffman vs. Ward.
[illegible]—Ren vs. Schneider.
[illegible]—Hyslop vs. Hardy.
[illegible]—Bergman vs. Sol.
[illegible]—Hastings vs. Duncan.

COURT OF GENERAL SESSIONS.

Before Hon. G. S. Bedford, Jr., City Judge.—Court opens at 11 A. M.

Nos.
1—The People vs. John Reynolds and James Reynolds; robbery.
2—The People vs. William Smith; larceny.
3—The People vs. Edward Morris; grand larceny.
4—The People vs. Mary Morris; grand larceny.
5—The People vs. John Knox; grand larceny.

CITY COURT—BROOKLYN.

Nos.
[illegible]—Frontier vs. Kuhn.
[illegible]—Guitson vs. Killen.
[illegible]—Sink vs. Sink.
[illegible]—Doyle vs. Hastings.
[illegible]—Bunn vs. Bunn.
[illegible]—Lefly vs. Harris.
[illegible]—Rock vs. Lamby.
[illegible]—Street vs. Street.
[illegible]—Fulton vs. Metropolitan Railroad Co.
[illegible]—Van Pelt vs. Leary.
[illegible]—Dillaway vs. Herwig.

COURT OF APPEALS.

PEREMPTORY CHALLENGES IN DISTRICT COURTS.

Charles P. Lawrence et al. vs. Alexander Hamilton.—The following statement of facts and opinion in this case will be found interesting to the legal fraternity. The judgment decides, among other questions, that the right to peremptory challenges of jurors in District Courts, in landlord and tenant proceedings, does not exist:

The defendant, Hamilton, instituted summary proceedings under the statute, before Thomas Stewart, Esq., a Justice of the District Court for the First Judicial District in the City of New-York, on the 12th day of May, 1866, to remove the relators, as tenants holding over after their term had expired of certain premises in the City of New-York. The relators appeared and on issue of fact was joined by the affidavits interposed, and filed by the relators. A jury was summoned in accordance with the provisions of the statute, and the twelve jurors summoned by the said Justice were examined to try the issue upon, and upon the examination of the jurors, Mr. Hamilton interposed a peremptory challenge to Frank C. Huntington, one of the jurors drawn by the said Justice, and without assigning any cause. The relators objected to the right to the allowance of such challenge because no cause was assigned, and because in these summary proceedings the law does not give a peremptory challenge, and that the said Justice should have ordered another juror in place of said Huntington as a juror, and to which decision the counsel for the relators duly excepted. There were various objections and exceptions taken to the ruling of the said Justice and to the rejection of evidence, and to the admission of evidence, which were duly noted by the jury. The cause was tried, and the jury decided in favor of the defendant, and the relators were dispossessed by the judgment of said Justice. The relators reserved the said proceedings and decision of Justice of Peace and brought the Supreme Court by certiorari, and the General Term of the First District reversed the proceedings and judgment of said Justice, and granted a new trial, with costs to the relators, and the defendant appealed to the Court of Appeals.

Grover—The proceedings taken and hence that are appeal lies to the Court of Appeals from the determination of the Supreme Court in this case. Since the amendment made by section 11 of the code, by the act of April 17, 1867, chapter 194, of the laws of 1867, an appeal lies to this Court from a final order affirming a judgment of the Supreme Court (Code, section 11, Lab. 3.)

This is not a case in error or certiorari where the supreme court is to be a court of review on the question of jurisdiction and the regularity of the proceedings. Under this statute, we have authority to review the ruling upon the challenge to jurors, questions of law and evidence, or inferences of fact, and the charge upon the law of the case to the jury. (Arnoux vs. Arnoux, 15 N. Y., 330; Hyde vs. Hyde, 1 Barb., 89; W. R., 280; Marwood vs. Hollister, 2 Sold. R., 239.) and that Court may review the evidence to be in Petitioner, and may look into the evidence so far as is necessary to see if there is a question of fact for the landlord and tenant. This was expressly held in Hyde vs. Hyde, supra, and in Marwood vs. Hollister, 2 Sold. R., 239. It is the case to be sure that when this Court is to have jurisdiction upon the ground of a question of law involving upon the merits of the case, and to see to it that the decision of the court below is in accordance with law, which is the ultimate and final question in all such cases. The Supreme Court were fully justified in reviewing the decision of the Justice in this case, in allowing to this defendant a peremptory challenge, and in setting aside Mr. Huntington, a juror upon the said Justice's list. I am quite satisfied that the Supreme Court was right in holding that the act of April 20, 1847, giving the right of peremptory challenge to jurors, in actions of law, in the Supreme Court, in a civil action, does not apply to such an action as the next provides that "upon the trial of any issue of fact joined in a civil action, each party shall be entitled peremptorily to challenge two of the persons drawn as jurors for such trial." Laws of 1847, chapter 134, section 2. These summary proceedings are not civil actions within the meaning of the Code. See sections 1, 2 and 3 of the Code. Nor were they or before the passage of the Code, strictly or, factory, 1 Barb. 89; N. Y. 280; 2 Sold. R. 239; 15 Barb. 330; 1 Code R. 1; 2 Code R. 1; 2 Code R. 1; 2

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Average Low Midlings are reported at Gilmer: for June 9 cent at Eufaula, for July 9 cent at Selma, for June 9 cent at Mobile, for June 9 cent at Nashville, for June 9 cent at Memphis, for June 9 cent at Helena, for June 9 cent at Vicksburg, for June 9 cent at Natchez, for June 9 cent at Louisville, for June 9 cent at Cincinnati, for June 9 cent at Cairo, for June 9 cent at St. Louis, for June 9 cent at Leavenworth, for June 9 cent at Atchison

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The new Italian Cabinet is announced as follows: President-General, MENABREA; Minister of Foreign Affairs, MINGHETTI; Minister of the Interior, FERRARIS; Minister of Justice, MIRABELLI; and Minister of Commerce, BARGONI.

A Congress of German Protestants is to assemble at Worms on the 21st, to frame a reply to the Pope's recent appeal to Protestants.

General PRIM, in a speech in the Cortes on Saturday, denied the rumors that he meditates an attempt against the Liberal *régime*, and declared that his motto was now as ever, "Honor and Liberty."

The fluctuations in the London Money market are explained by the *Times* as due to the advance in the rate of interest in the Bank of England.

The Mayor of Cork, who has suddenly become so conspicuous in connection with the recent Fenian demonstration, has been offered a nomination for Parliament from the electors of Youghal.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the State Senate, on Saturday, the New-York Central Scrip, the Consolidated Railroad, and the Charity bills, were passed. The amendment to the Consolidated Railroad bill, preventing any interference with any existing contract between the Erie and Lake Shore Road, was retained. The votes by which the Broadway Underground and the Two-tier Railroad bills were rejected, were reconsidered, and the bills amended and passed. A Conference Committee was appointed on the Tax Levy, but as they failed to agree they were discharged, and further consideration was put off until to-day. Among the bills passed in the Assembly was that providing for the widening of West-street from the Battery to Hammond-street, and the Albany Bridge bill. A resolution of sympathy for "those struggling for Cuban independence" was adopted. Mayor HALL sent a telegram from Albany on Saturday night defending the tax levies. He says that the levies, irrespective of bonds issued mainly for City improvement and judgments, are in excess of last year's only about $200,000; and that after providing for the interest on the bonds authorized by the levies and deducting the amount provided for by tax relief bonds, the new taxes are estimated in the aggregate at about twenty-one and a half millions, and are then two millions and a half less than last year. He says that the rate of tax will probably not exceed two and a quarter per cent, while it was two and a sixty-sixth last year.

GENERAL.

By the arrival of the steamship *Henry Chauncey*, from Aspinwall May 1, we are in receipt of late news from Central and South America. The most important intelligence set forth that a report was current that the President of Bolivia had crossed the frontier to make war on Peru. The report, however, was not credited.

The Pacific Railroad celebration in San Francisco and Sacramento on Saturday is reported by telegraph as extensive and brilliant. In San Francisco salutes were fired from all the forts in the harbor in the morning and afternoon; the bells were rung and steam-whistles sounded; and at night the entire city was magnificently illuminated. During the day the city was crowded, business was suspended, and the military and different societies of the city paraded the streets. In Sacramento the Odd Fellows took a prominent part in the demonstrations. The lines of travel to and from the city were free for the day, and consequently this city was also very much crowded. When the signal was given of the driving of the last spike in the last rail of the Central Pacific Railroad the whistle of thirty locomotives, gaily decked and drawn up in line, screached out in concert for joy.

Señor SATRUSTEGUI, the Spanish Consul, had an interview with Marshal BARLOW on Saturday afternoon, and gave him important information about Cuban movements in this City, requesting to prevent the departure of a war expedition which is now preparing. The Marshal has received instructions from the State Department to use every precaution toward preventing any war vessel from leaving this port. About 200 Cubans departed on the German steamer Prussia yesterday, it is thought with martial intentions.

The farewell address of the Peruvian Minister to President GRANT, presented on Friday, was full of admiration of the United States, and of wishes for our continued prosperity. He promised to do all that lay in his power, both privately and officially, to consolidate the friendship and harmony now existing between Peru and this country.

The Finance Minister of the Dominion of Canada, in presenting the Budget to the House on Friday, took occasion to utter some remarks in relation to reciprocity between Canada and the United States. The Canadians did not complain of the abrogation of the treaty, and believed that since the war has passed away, juster feelings in regard to their conduct have been entertained in the United States. Moreover, the Canadians were always open to negotiations for a renewal of the treaty.

The total expenditure of the Dominion of Canada for nine months ending 31st March, also the estimated expenditure for the quarter ending 30th June, 1869, is given in official statement just made at $23,402,151, less redemptions and investments $6,420,797, also less Public Works' capital, $607,792. The total expenditure for the nine months ending 30th March, making deductions as above, is $9,311,576. The total revenue for the nine months ending 31st March is $22,382,343, less loans, &c., ($12,124,551) leaving $9,257,792 as the net revenue for the period mentioned, being an excess of revenue of $316,268.

Intelligence from St. Domingo to the 18th of April is received by mail. The people of all parties are said to be anxious for annexation to the United States. Hostilities against the Dominicans have been suspended, and the people are represented in complete harmony with the administration of President BAEZ.

Two supposed horse thieves named LEAR and McGOWN, who lived on the edge of Wayne County, Ky., were hanged by a mob a few nights ago near Jamestown, Ky. A third one was bound and a halter placed around his neck, when, by a great effort, he managed to get out of his coils and escape. The ringleaders were disguised.

The United States Local Inspectors at New-Orleans report, after investigation, that the burning of the steamer *General Grant*, of New-York, at her wharf at New-Orleans, recently, originated from spontaneous combustion in her store-room.

Miss IDA LEWIS, the Newport heroine, has received a silver medal and a check for $100 from the Life Saving Benevolent Society of New-York, accompanied by a very complimentary letter from the President, ROYAL PHELPS.

Chief Justice CHASE has ruled that the Government cannot collect income tax from foreigners who hold our bonds, and that what has been collected must be refunded. The Internal Revenue Bureau is preparing to carry out this decision; and several hundred thousand dollars will come out of the Treasury in consequence of it.

Letters received at Washington state that the health of Mr. GEORGE PEABODY, the eminent American banker, in London, and generous friend of the poor, is not good, and that he is anxious to return to his home in America and end here his days.

Minnesota is overrun with agents of wheat buyers, who are engaged in buying up all the wheat they can get hold of.

GEORGE PEABODY has written to the town of Georgetown, Mass., stating that it is his intention to supply all the funds needed to sustain the public library which he has given to the town, and also presenting $4,000 toward the peripatetic fund.

A man giving his name as MATTHEW WEBATE was arrested yesterday, at Scranton, Penn., suspected of being BROOKS, the murderer of BROADHEAD, at the Delaware Water Gap.

An order has been received in Newport, R. I., from Paris, for a furnace to warm a church in Japan.

The case of WEBB, Administrator, vs. Portland and Kennebec Railroad Company, which has been on trial for some time at Portland, Me., has just been concluded. The action was originally brought by Mr. MATHAN WEBB to recover damages laid at $10,000 for injuries received by being struck by an engine of the Company, March 26, 1867, as he was crossing the track on his "jigger." Mr. WEBB died after commencing the action, and his administrator came in and prosecuted the case. The jury returned a verdict for plaintiff for $4,501.

The Alabama Question.

The report that Mr. MOTLEY goes to England without any special instructions in regard to the *Alabama* claims, gains strength and seems to be generally credited. We can easily believe it, because, as the case now stands, a wiser Government than our own would be sorely puzzled to know what instructions to give him; and when you don't know what to do, the best thing to do, according to the old maxim is, to do *nothing*.

It must be pretty clear, by this time, we imagine, even to Senator CHANDLER, that no statesman can hope to gain popularity at home by fomenting war with England. There is always a sentiment among our people which is pleased with threats of such a war; and just so far as these threats can be indulged without actual danger of war, it is usually a "sure card" to utter them. Our Irish fellow-citizens are always pleased by that sort of statesmanship; and, curiously enough, whenever any ambitious politician makes a strike for popularity, his first experiment always is upon the Irish. Even the Republican Party, which never has had, and never will have, anything but sharp and embittered hostility from the Irish, every now and then shows its stupidity by playing the same sorry farce again and again, never gaining a vote and never profiting in the least by its failures.

But war is not so much of a joke with our people as it used to be; and talk of war has ceased to be quite so fascinating and seductive, even for Irish voters, as it was, before the great rebellion. Visions of glory are less dazzling, and visions of debt are a good deal more alarming, than of old. We are not anxious to increase our investment in either just at present. There are people who are anxious to repudiate the debt we have already incurred, and they, of course, look upon a war with England as the shortest way of reaching that result. They are doubtless right, but they are not strong enough yet to accomplish much. Nor do we observe any large increase of the class of men who think we ought to go to war because England did not "sympathize with us" during our rebellion, but rather with the other side. It begins to be dimly discovered that lack of sympathy is not a cause of war, and that we must find ground of hostility, if we find it all, in the acts *of the British Government*, and not in the feelings and sentiments of the whole, or any part, of the English people.

It has been asserted very roundly that we shall bye-and-bye present our "bill of damages" to England and demand immediate payment. Payment for what? We have already refused to regard the question as one of damages, and have taken the ground that the injuries we sustained from England's action are not to be measured by the value of ships burned or the commerce destroyed by the ships she built and sent out against us during the war; and the treaty, negotiated on this basis by the authorized representatives of the two nations, has just been contemptuously rejected by us. If we are to demand payment of damages now, after this action, in what do these damages consist? We shall not, we imagine, be foolish enough to demand payment of the cost of the war, for the whole time during which England's action prolonged it—nor for the hostile "sentiment" which England evinced toward us throughout the struggle. Nor would an "apology" from England for the course she pursued, even if there were the ghost of a chance that we could obtain it, followed by the payment of actual losses from the depredations of English-built Confederate privateers, make the matter any better, or restore kindly feelings between the people of the two nations.

We see nothing that can be more wisely done at present than to let the whole matter drop—take its place among the things of the past, which cannot be reversed or remedied, and which no amount of discussion can make any better. When we actually get ready for war with England, this may serve to swell the tide of national hostility out of which such a war may grow. But for that result we can afford to wait,—as we must wait,—a good while longer. Meantime the wisest thing the Government can do is probably to instruct Mr. MOTLEY to do nothing, and to say just as little as possible. We presume the wisdom of the Administration will dictate this disposition of the case.

Secretary Boutwell's Policy.

The intentions of the Secretary of the Treasury seem no longer enshrouded in mystery or doubt. On two important questions he has chosen and promulgated his course. He intends to buy Government bonds to an amount not less than a million weekly, and to a larger amount if the means in hand are favorable. And he proposes to sell a million of gold weekly—perhaps more, should the receipts enable him to do so. These measures, we are told, will not be affected by temporary changes in the condition of the money market, and will probably be persisted in until Congress indicats its preference for other action.

The best feature in this programme is its explicitness and publicity. It is intelligible, if not wise. It is straightforward, even though it be not expedient or just. The suspicious influences which surrounded the doings of the late Secretary are not admissible as against Mr. BOUTWELL's plan. What he proposes to do will be plain and above board. He cannot be accused of playing into the hands of brokers or cliques. And for this emancipation of the Treasury from sinister alliances and agencies he merits thanks.

Of the plan itself we cannot speak so favorably. It appears to us to be founded upon a narrow estimate of the ends to be promoted by the Treasury, and a crude and imperfect conception of the circumstances and needs of the country. We presume that Mr. BOUTWELL has considered carefully the question of authority as affected by the Public Credit act of last session. Whether the right to redeem bonds in advance of maturity is or is not abrogated by that act is at best doubtful. The letter may admit of an interpretation favorable to a continuance of the power previously possessed by the Secretary; the spirit reads the other way, especially when considered in conjunction with the known opinions and purposes of the House, where the measure originated. Be this as it may, however, it is undeniable that the only authority under which the Secretary can now purchase bonds is the Sinking Fund act of 1862, which provides for "the purchase or payment of one per centum of the entire debt." If Mr. BOUTWELL has concluded that under this law he may buy bonds, notwithstanding the seeming existence of a proviso to the contrary in the Public Credit act, at least he should be governed by the limitation to "one per centum" enjoined by the Sinking Fund law.

Mr. BOUTWELL's policy, then, is open to the objection "that it exceeds the authority conferred by the Sinking Fund law, and therefore conflicts, or appears to conflict, with the enactments of last session. Whatever room for diversity of interpretation exists on the question of right, the extent of bond-redemption contemplated by the act of 1862 is specifically fixed, and beyond this boundary he cannot properly travel. The power of redeeming bonds unlimitedly has no existence in law, and it is difficult to believe that Mr. BOUTWELL desires to assert the privilege of purchasing, save within the prescribed mark set by the measure of 1862. In that case the amount to be redeemed is subject to something beside his discretion, and has no relation to the means at his command.

Nor can we consider it expedient to enter upon a systematic purchase of bonds not yet due so long as demand obligations of the Government remain unredeemed, or while the ability of the Treasury to meet next year's expenditures remains uncertain. The idea of taking up bonds long before they reach maturity has a pretty look and a sonorous sound; it may be an excellent subject for Fourth of July brag. But, as a matter of equity, the Government has no right to purchase the unmatured securities of the bondholder while large amounts of past-due and dishonored obligations remain unredeemed. A farmer who should undertake to pay off a mortgage on his farm ten or twelve years before it became due, leaving his store bills and protested notes given for stock or implements to their fate, would pursue precisely the course on which the Secretary of the Treasury has deliberately entered. Any temporary relief resulting from the effect of the transaction upon the market value of the bonds will be more than counteracted by damage done to the Government credit by the neglect of that portion of the interest-bearing debt which has matured and is unpaid.

Again, the condition of the balance-sheet at the close of the next fiscal year is a subject of apprehension. Advices from Washington represent that the ability to reduce expenditures within appropriations is uncertain. If this be not effected, the balance-sheet will exhibit a deficiency to be covered by further appropriations. And with such a contingency in view, is it not more desirable to retain any surplus which the Treasury may be fortunate enough to acquire, to cover possible shortcomings, than to expend that surplus as it comes in for a purpose which may without inconvenience or dishonor be deferred?

The periodical sale of a specified amount of gold is another proceeding the soundness of which is not apparent. In other circumstances it might be well for the Secretary to form his plans without reference to the accidents or combinations of the market. Were the financial system healthy, duty would require him to leave all speculative matters to adjust themselves. But the circumstances of the time are extraordinary; the financial system is the reverse of healthy. Legitimate enterprise and trade are in an unfortunate degree at the mercy of gamblers and speculators, and it is incumbent on the Secretary to use his opportunities in favor of the former and against the latter. We do not counsel perpetual interference. We admit that as far as possible the gold market should be left to regulate itself. But in seasons of great disturbance, or when *bona fide* interests are jeopardized by speculative combinations, we think that it is the business of the Secretary to step in and employ any surplus of gold which the Treasury possesses in restoring to the market ease and confidence. For this purpose, it is more important that the Treasury be strong in regard to gold than that it regularly sell amounts too insignificant to produce an appreciable effect. A million per week will exercise less influence upon the market than the knowledge of the fact that the Treasury has a surplus large enough to control the market, which surplus the Secretary would use at a critical moment. The weekly million may be quietly absorbed without affecting the price of gold, even fractionally; and the ability of the Treasury to hold the speculators in check is all the time diminishing. On the other hand, a considerable accumulation in the Treasury is of itself a check, if the purpose of the Secretary to sell, when sales are urgently required, be generally understood.

Moreover, the steady acquisition of a gold reserve is desirable as a means of inspiring confidence in the value and the ultimate redemption of greenbacks. The Government will never be in a condition to resume specie payments if it throws its gold upon the market whenever a few millions accumulate.

Our Tammany Taxes.

St. Tammany, and not St. Nicholas, ought henceforth, in simple justice, to be worshipped as the patron saint of New-York. With an assurance that showed it had not reckoned without its host, the Ring rushed its Tax Levies into and through the Assembly, as we all know, despite protest and opposition. Relying on accommodating Republicans and the faithful henchmen of the Democracy, (of whom but two revolted,) the planners of the great tax-job put it through—after shearing it of a few of the more grossly enormous items which had been denounced by the Press of this City.

The fate of the Tammany taxes now hangs in the balance. Passed in the Assembly on Friday night, on Saturday the Tammany Tax Levies were returned to the Senate for concurrence. But as this body had, as we have before noted, sent to the House a very different levy, being a nearer approach to the just and proper estimate of the Citizens' Association, it refused to concur in the addition of $4,000,000. The Conference Committee thereupon appointed naturally could not agree, and at 2:10 Sunday morning so reported to both Houses, which then adjourned to 10 o'clock this morning. Whether the Senate will recede and break down before St. Tammany is now the question, and one on which, as the decision will so soon be made, it is idle to speculate. The only indication worth noting is that the Saturday's vote for non-concurrence in the Assembly's amendments was 18 to 11, since which no test vote has been taken. To-day, however, will tell the story.

Should the Tammany taxes be thrust down the throat of the City, it will be accepted as a token that any plan of plunder, however preposterous, can be engineered to success at Albany. Emboldened by this stroke the "Ring" can operate still more triumphantly in future, from the knowledge it yearly gains by experience; and it will henceforth confidently apply there for all the "wind" it wants.

The New Indian Agents.

The Quakers, it seems, are not to monopolise the Indian Bureau. A military order assigning between fifty and sixty army officers to duty with the Secretary of the Interior, to be detailed to act as Indian Agents, will be published, we are told, today. In other words, the men of peace are to be reinforced by men of war; and as the former number about twenty, thus far, in the agencies and superintendencies, the military element will preponderate.

There is nothing alarming in this new disposition. On the contrary, it was the general belief last January that it might have solved the Indian question in the right way, had the Senate only followed the lead of the House, in temporarily transferring the whole charge, in peace and in war, of the hitherto hostile Indians to the War Department. But the Senate was willing to do anything but that—it was willing to make a new Department of the Bureau, to divide the Indian responsibility between the Interior and War Departments; anything but what the House decided. The influence of the Indian Ring was still potent; and only by a stroke of strategy, as it were, did General GRANT avoid trouble. He appointed General COX to the Interior, and Colonel PARKER to the Indian Commission; and of his nominations of Indian Agents from the Society of Friends but two were thrown over, and they only in order to retain two special Senate favorites under the old system.

Now, however, the Senate has adjourned and a fuller Indian organization is required. General GRANT naturally falls back on his familiar army ideas, and as the five hitherto officers in all Departments interested in the Indian question, are men—namely, the President, the General-in-Chief, the Secretary of the War, the Secretary of the Interior, and the Indian Commissioner—and as the four last are intimate army comrades of General GRANT, a division of sentiment among them on a point where all army men agree, is not to be looked for. As one of these latter sententiously put the matter: "What is needed is that authority and power to enforce it be vested in the same hand—everything rests upon this, and without it there can be no effective Indian policy." Such probably is the meaning of the new assignment.

Our City Affairs.

Mayor HALL has been busy, "personally and officially," with the Albany Legislature for the last week or two, and has succeeded in all his undertakings. He has nullified all attempts of the Committees, and of citizens of New-York, to restrict the appropriations of the City and County tax levies to the sums actually needed for City and County purposes, and has induced one branch of the Legislature to reject their work and add nearly *four millions* of dollars to their estimates, and pass the bill in that shape. The other branch will, in the end, assent to this sweeping addition, and the bill will doubtless become a law in that shape. And Mr. HALL, in a letter which we reprint in another column, assures the people of the City that the bill, even in that shape, will be only three or four hundred thousand dollars more than it was last year. As it was a million or two more last year than it ought to have been, we doubt whether our citizens will find entire satisfaction in this assurance.

Mayor HALL believes that the people of the City are in favor of large, not to say lavish, expenditures of the public money. We presume those who spend it, and those who receive it, are; that the same is true of those who pay the taxes, we are not so sure. But as the former constitute the majority, and are, besides, mainly Democrats, the Mayor gracefully acquiesces in their view of the case.

The amount of our expenses is not the main thing to which our people object. We repeat what we have often said already, that we do not complain that the cost of our City Government is large, so much as that we *get nothing* for our money. The Government is not only costly, but it is worthless. The money levied ostensibly for improving the City, is stolen by dishonest officials or wasted on venal pastimes. In a letter to the Times, published a week ago, Mayor HALL assured us that if the City authorities could have what money they needed, all desirable improvements in City affairs could be achieved. He is likely to get all the money he wants; now let us see the promised improvements. Let us have clean and well-paved streets. Let new avenues of travel and trade be opened where they are needed. Let our parks and public places be kept in order,—let our wharves and landing places be made decent and convenient. Let us have a well-regulated system of public cabs. Let something be done to make New-York a city fit for the residence of civilized and respectable people, rather than merely a place for herding the degraded and vicious vagrants from every part of Christendom.

But no one believes that any of these things will be done, or that any serious attempt will be made to do them. Our money will be expended hereafter, as it has been heretofore,—on party favorites for party purposes. And that we shall ever have any better state of things in this respect, we see very little reason to believe. The only consolation left us is, that we cannot have any that is worse.

But Mayor HALL can do a good deal toward bringing about a better state of things, if he will only try.

Legal Rascealities.

Some very pernicious abuses have lately crept into the administration of justice in this City. Late inquests and the report which we publish in this issue of the Sunday morning examination of the printers of the alleged counterfeit Haytian stamps, reveal two of these abuses which are particularly obnoxious.

In both of the important inquests held last week to inquire into the cause of the recent Long Island railroad disaster, and the death of Mr. ROBINSON at Rye Neck, before a single witness was examined or a fact elicited, theories of the accident and the murder were advanced either by the Coroner, jurymen or detectives engaged in examining into or working up the facts. And in both cases the facts were not allowed to interfere with the theories advanced. In the railroad case there was a theory of a broken rail which had caused the accident, but though the facts did not sustain the theory, the verdict was in accordance with it. In the Rye Neck murder, the theory which was advanced premised that the murder was committed by a person familiar with the person, habits and circumstances of his victim. This theory was sadly interfered with by the testimony of one of the witnesses, and though his evidence, unshaken by a most searching cross-examination, was most important, the Dogberries conducting the inquest dismissed it as unworthy of belief, for no other reason, as far as yet appears, than that it interfered with the theory. Certain theories of the detectives in regard to the murder of Mr. ROGERS some months since, led to the incarceration of several men against whom no particle of evidence could be found; and there are other instances in which justice has been thwarted by similar theories, unsupported, even unsuggested, by the facts.

It will be seen by the report which we publish this morning that in the examination of the persons accused of counterfeiting the Haytian currency, the fact was elicited that the gentlemen accused of printing the stuff inquired into the propriety of doing so, and were advised by the then Chief of Detectives to proceed with the work, as he would thus be "afforded a better opportunity of detecting the actual criminals." This is very questionable morality. The work of printing has now been going on for a year; $800,000 of the counterfeit stamps have been furnished to the "actual criminals" who are far away in their own country, safe from arrest by the American authorities; and the ill-advised men have been arrested, but were promptly discharged. If the Captain of the Detectives had warned the printers against engaging in the work, the "actual criminals" might have been thwarted in their design, and the perpetration of a great wrong would have been prevented.

Railway Mismanagement.

In the midst of great political turbulence and discussion on such vast topics as English returns and Irish disestablishment, a little pamphlet has just been found among our British friends which attracts to itself the attention of all classes. This is the official report of Colonel RUSS, who has been inspecting the scene and investigating the causes of that awful "accident" at Abergele last year, on the London and Northwestern Railway, by which several oil-tank cars were crushed in a collision with an express passenger train, a fire started among the "kindling-wood" into which both trains were pretty well split, the people and ruins well drenched with flaming oil, and several persons brought to a horrible death.

The first point made by the Government Inspector is that this line is "one of the best in this country, and that its general management and arrangements are as good, on the whole, as those of any of the other lines." The next is that three men, two brakesmen and a station-master, "are seriously to blame, and their neglect has been the immediate cause of the accident." But he does not stop at that. He adds, significantly: "Men of that class cannot be expected to do their duties well if the railway companies do not give them the most convenient and best appliances, *and do not look after them strictly and enforce the proper carrying out of the regulations.*"

In this connection the Inspector makes something like a very serious charge. He admits that the rules and regulations of the Company were admirable, and thoroughly well adapted to secure the due and safe transaction of the great business done by the road; although he comments with severity upon the too close margin, both of time and space, allowed between different trains which follow or meet each other on the road, saying that the utmost exactness of mechanical appliances, and the most precise observance of time, is necessary to safety. But he goes on to say that the more he investigates the working of railroads, even the best of them, the more he is satisfied that companies keep a well-ordered set of "rules and regulations," principally to be referred to and shown at such times as this, for justification after calamity; and that the rules are almost habitually disregarded and allowed to be neglected by every rank and grade of official, to suit their own temporary convenience and ease.

This is certainly a frightful state of things. And yet who can doubt the truth of the suggestion? If these things are done upon the well-regulated, precise, prompt English railways, what is likely to be the case on the slap-dash, free-and-easy, devil-may-care American roads, where ten minutes, thirty minutes, an hour, "behind time," is as common a phrase and almost as often heard, as the conductor's ringing "*All* aboard!" We all know this to be but one of the many points of carelessness which the contemptuous familiarity with momentary danger breeds in the reckless railroad officials.

Roads badly graded, poorly ballasted, rarely repaired; rails cheaply bought, rarely laid, seldom inspected; every quality neglected which could give firmness and smoothness, to insure economical running, and prevent the pounding of heavy loads upon rough tracks, broken tires, disabled engines, overturned trains; mechanical make-shifts made to "do" in place of the proper appliances; and, finally, time-tables utterly disregarded, delays made habitual, precautions laughed to scorn—what a picture for a traveling public to contemplate! But it is no caricature.

If our skillful and incorruptible legislators could devise some mode of compelling railroad companies, under heavy penalty, to enforce their *own regulations*, there might be some hope of arriving at security of travel. Not otherwise. Perhaps a few more "accidents" will teach us what to do. And, more likely, perhaps not.

The New Board of Education.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

You remember that during the heat of the struggle on the part of the Tammany Ring to revolutionize our system of common schools, by putting the appointment of the Board of Education in the hands of the Mayor, the whole current of public sentiment was against it. It was almost universally regarded as partisan in its motives, and as aiming mainly to get the control of the school fund into the hands of the Ring, which had control of nearly all the money of the other departments of the City government. Public sympathy was wholly with the Board.

Suddenly appeared one of the long letters prepared by the Citizens' Association, signed with the familiar name of "PETER COOPER, President," and carrying with it the whole weight and influence of that Association, *assuming the side of the Ring and urging the passage of the bill which the Ring was then pressing, with doubtful prospects, in the Legislature. This gave the victory to the Ring.* The newspapers which had been in the habit of echoing the views and wishes of the Association, joined in this change of front, and the bill was passed.

And I observe that one of the members of the Board, newly appointed by the Mayor, is Mr. NATHANIEL BANDS, Secretary and Manager-in-Chief of the Citizens' Association. Can you tell me whether this appointment by the Mayor of the man who mainly effected the passage of the bill, was, in any sense, a reward for "services rendered" at a critical time? Was Mr. BANDS' appointment a "condition precedent," express or implied, to the issue of the letter by the Citizens' Association?

Mayor HALL accompanied the appointment of Mr. BANDS by a sneer at the pretended party and love of economy of the Association whose influence Mr. BANDS had placed at the service of the Ring. The apparent connection of the letter and the appointment look very much as if the sneer was deserved. QUERIST.

We guarantee our correspondent puts his question to the public, rather than to us with the expectation of its being answered. Most certainly we cannot answer it. We know nothing of the motives of Mr. BANDS in writing the letter, or of the Mayor in making the appointment, except as they are stated by the gentlemen themselves in their published letters. We were not quite so much surprised by the latter event as by the former; but that was probably owing to the fact that it came last. "Querist" must apply elsewhere for the information of which he is in search.

MINOR TOPICS.

The State Assembly passed on Saturday night a resolution of sympathy with the people of Cuba who are struggling against the tyranny of Spain. One good turn deserves another, and we hope the people of Cuba, just as soon as they establish their independence, will pass a resolution of sympathy with the citizens of New-York who are struggling against the tyranny of the Legislative Ring—with, it appears to us, very little hope of success. Of the two, we consider our sufferings the least tolerable and the hardest to endure. We trust our Cuban neighbors, with whom we so freely "sympathize" when they are in trouble, will not forget us when they become prosperous and happy. Meanwhile, having cased their minds on the affairs of Cuba, the Assembly will now probably resume its Rome work and pass the Ring Tax Levy.

It is to be hoped that those patriots who are so anxious to get the country into another war, will not attempt to dodge the conscription in case of its outbreak. It is to be hoped they will not cry out against the taxes which it will necessarily involve. It is to be hoped they will not deal in shoddy or try to get contracts. It is to be hoped they will understand themselves before they go in, and understand the business into which they are going, so that there may be no trouble with them afterward.

Judge BARNARD has decided, in the case of CHARLES A. LAMBARD *vs.* JOHN I. BLAIR, OAKES AMES, et al., (as will be seen from our law reports,) the principle involved in the case of FISK, Jr., against the Credit Mobilier. He finds in the former case that Mr. LAMBARD, as one of nine corporators, having subscribed for one-ninth share of the stock of the Pacific and Sioux City Railroad Company, is entitled to one-ninth share of new stock subscribed for by BLAIR and AMES without the knowledge of their fellow-corporators. The decision requires BLAIR and AMES and the railroad company to transfer the 2,777 shares of stock, with all dividends, claimed, or pay the plaintiff $222,160 within sixty days, besides the costs of the litigation.

It seems that the Canadian politician who expects soon to be created Lord MACDONALD, looks forward to the time when he will be sovereign of a Kingdom consisting of the New Dominion and New-England. We would take time by the forelock, and ask MACDONALD to include New-York in his Kingdom, but for the fact that it would embarrass Governor HOFFMAN's Presidential prospects.

We were unwilling to believe in the genuineness of the barbarous proclamation said to be addressed to the Cubans by Count VALMASEDA, until we received a copy of the document from our own correspondent in Havana. There is now no doubt that this infamous Spanish commander has adopted measures that will curse the Spanish cause, and insure for it the execrations of mankind. It remains with Captain-General DULCE to remove at once this cruel and bloody executioner—this base and cowardly assailant of women and children.

We suppose REVERDY JOHNSON's long public career will come to a close with his English mission. The only chance of place for such a man is the Senate, and he was superseded there by the Maryland Legislature because of the political independence he had shown in voting for several Republican measures that were bitterly opposed by the Democracy. His career during his last term in the Senate was one that did honor to him as a statesman. Though called a Democrat, he never scrupled to sustain the measures of the other party when he considered them calculated to aid in the pacification of the country, the strengthening of the public credit, or the establishment of the principles that triumphed in the war. Mr. JOHNSON belongs to an able and honorable school of public men, of whom no country ever has too many, and of whom this country seems inclined to repudiate the few it has left.

We do not know of any case in which the death of any American journalist has called forth as many touching and beautiful tributes as have appeared in the Press since the decease of Mr. SEYMOUR. We have before us at this moment a score of the weekly papers just published, and the writers of all of them strew their flowers and shed their tears over his bier. In the *Dispatch*, Past Grand Master HOLMES repeats the eulogium he delivered at the grave, in the performance of the Masonic ceremonies. The letter of "Figaro" in the *Leader* is not the least worthy of these memorials to a true man and high-minded journalist.

One does not look among Sheriffs, usually, for tender-hearted persons; but an official of that stamp turns up in West Virginia. He publishes a notice that he has instructed his deputies to collect the taxes in Marshall County, and if they are not paid to levy on the property of delinquents. But he mercifully appends to the notice the following: "N. B.—Widows not included in the above instructions." This will certainly commend him to the political favor of one class of the women, at all events, when female suffrage comes into vogue.

Just about the time a gallant young Bourbon Prince landed in this country to marry an American damsel, there was a journal started in this City (the *Imperialist*) which advocates the establishment of an American throne. Is it a Bourbon we are to have for an Emperor? He is a relative of the young Prince that rules the only other great American power, Brazil.

The *Leader* thinks that the difficulties of the new Cab Company will be from dishonest drivers, and that its managers will enjoy the experience of others who have tried the cab business here,—the drivers will retain 75 per cent of the profits. "If," says the *Leader*, "the stockholders will drive the cabs themselves, they will get a good return; otherwise, not." We think it would not be impossible to discover some means by which this danger could be prevented.

A resident of St. Louis, who says he is desirous of becoming a resident of this City, writes us for information as to "where or how a citizen of New-York can become acquainted with the local and Police laws of the City,"—as he desires to obtain "positive knowledge of his rights and duties" before he comes here. All the City ordinances may be obtained in a volume compiled by authority of the Common Council, and the Police regulations can be obtained from Superintendent KENNEDY. Many of our local laws—such as the acts establishing the City Commissioners and other bodies—were established by the Legislature, and can only be found (so far as we know) in the volumes of the laws of the State. The inquiring gentleman of St. Louis (N. Y.

by will ask, When he comes to New-York, that all his rights will be respected, and that his duties will be few; and that, though our City is much abused, it is a good place to live in.

The poor Spaniards, who have such difficulty in finding a King, are nevertheless going ahead with tolerable rapidity and success in building up a Government which may stand after a while without a royal head. Or, perhaps, like Belgium in its career after the revolution of 1830, it will consolidate the popular power, establish a Constitution, and when at last a King is found, have an established order of things for him to swear fealty to. Delays are not "always dangerous."

ALEXANDER DUMAS has the facility of getting the Parisians interested in every incident of his daily life. He will tell them exactly what o'clock he got up on any given morning, what he had for breakfast, and how he enjoyed the different articles; what visitors called on him, and his conversation with them; what time he dressed to go out, and which of his coats or hats he put on upon the particular occasion. He will tell all these details and innumerable others equally interesting with such vivacity and gaiety that you will find yourself keenly interested in learning all his movements, thoughts and dreams for the entire day and night. In a letter written to a Havre journal, but intended for the Parisian reader, he has just been recounting the reasons which have led him to occupy the second floor of a certain hotel, "rather than to retain the charming Christmas Palace given me by GARIBALDI, by a decree published in the Moniteur of the 7th September, 1860, for services rendered the Italian cause." The cause of his removing to the more humble apartments he now occupies are of course of the grandest and most heroic kind. He expended his fortune in making war on the Neapolitan Bourbons, and he tore up the decree giving him a palace, because he thought it unworthy of DUMAS to receive pay for his patriotic services to Italy. He now resides with pleasure on the second floor, "because I pay my board with the money I earn, while at the same time, by my mere presence, I give to the hotel a value it did not possess before I made it my home." An individual so gay and festive certainly deserves to live in a palace, with an income of a milliard francs.

The undertakers of the great East River Bridge are disposed to think that it should be only one hundred and twelve feet above high water mark. But the Vessel Owners' Association protest this is not a sufficient height for the masts of large vessels. In this controversy the need of a proper inlet and outlet for the population of the two cities is the chief consideration, and the shipmen should be obliged to adjust their sky-scrapers to the fitness of the thoroughfare. The bridge may be made movable. Whenever steam or any other motor shall have changed the fashion of the great ships, in general, the objection against the bridge will exist no longer.

AMUSEMENTS.

Musical.

CONCERT OF THE PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

The Philharmonic programme on Saturday night was a strong one, being provided with two *pièces de résistance*. The first of these was the Beethoven "Concerto, in G Major." The piano part was rendered by Mr. CHARLES H. JARVIS, of Philadelphia, a gentleman who has a high reputation in that city as a thorough scientific musician, a successful instructor, and a favorite public performer. He showed a very clear and intelligent comprehension of this beautiful Concerto, rendering its peculiarly exacting passages of interplay and combination with the orchestra most admirably. His touch is clean and crisp, his ideas of interpretation well defined, and, although lacking somewhat in warmth of expression, his accentuation is unusually musician-like and satisfactory. We think the gentleman's choice of a piano was not a fortunate one. It lacked the fullness and sonority needed in so large a house as the Academy, and to that extent lessened the effect of his excellent performance.

The most considerable undertaking of the evening was SCHUMANN'S "Manfred," a kind of adaptation of BYRON'S wild drama condensed, the main dramatic scenes being preserved almost entire. Mr. EDWIN BOOTH read the drama, the declamatory portions being sometimes prefaced, sometimes accompanied, sometimes interrupted by orchestral or choral music, the latter being rendered by the Liederkranz Society. The idea is of itself a strange one, and well calculated for illustration by SCHUMANN'S singular genius, of which the work is quite characteristic; although the broken and disjointed progress of it is not favorable to a well-developed unity of design. The overture, enriched with the sombre coloring of violoncellos and horns, which SCHUMANN seems to have especially delighted in, is a most appropriate prelude to the sad story. After this Mr. BOOTH read the prologue, and introduced the melancholy and desperate, but still fearless *Manfred*, who invokes demons, parleys with spirits, attempts to fling himself from the giddy heights, is prevented, still more and more daringly and despairingly calls beings of the other world to his counsels, and at last compels the shade of his lost love to appear, from whom he learns that his earthly trials are over, and that his death is near. Finally, receiving no assurance of forgiveness from God, and defying with his latest breath the demons who have been his slaves, he dies.

The music is throughout descriptive; sometimes, as in representations of the spirit of the Alpine waterfall, it is most exquisite and fairy-like; at others, as in the only scene introducing the appearance of *Nemesis* with the *Witch*, it is wild and weird; and the orchestral breathings which accompany his address to the dead *Astarte* and her brief awful replies, are the embodied tones of profoundest grief, agony and despair. The latter portions, setting forth the defiant death of *Manfred*, are stronger and occasionally very impressive; while the final "Dirge" fitly concludes the tragedy with a *Requiescat* which is not restful, but perturbed, unsatisfied, sorrowful.

The theme at best is but melodramatic; it gives no scope for real grandeur of composition, but the musician has certainly evoked from it all the power it was capable of yielding.

Mr. BOOTH'S penetrating, resonant voice and beautifully clear articulation were peculiarly well adapted to the combination of recital with orchestral accompaniment. No word, no sound, however, fine or purposely suppressed, escaped the ear. His general appearance, too, and power of emotive expression, gave magnificent effect to the more passionate declamations. There, however, we must stop. Mr. BOOTH is not an intelligent reader; his tones, emphases, accents, are entirely artificial; not natural, nor yet rational. And when he has to convey an idea, instead of an emotion, he pauses his limit. The audience, however, were abundantly satisfied, for he had rendered to them the feeling of the drama, and called him back to the stage to express their appreciation of that fact.

The only thing that marred the performance of "Manfred" was the inconsiderate, senseless beating of a thousand Mrs. Grundys, every time their leaders had to turn over a leaf. People ought to be able to comprehend a performance in their own language without *Mrs. Grundy*, and the Society ought not to risk such ridiculous and irritating admixture upon some of the finest portions of such a work by furnishing these thoughtless twitters with such utterly needless instruments of noise.

The concert opened with GLUCK'S delicate and expressive "Iphigenia" Overture, and closed with the ever-delightful "Oberon" of WEBER. Through the whole of the difficult and varied programme, Mr. ROSENHAIN held sway over his orchestra with his accustomed precision. It was a very complete concert, and the Academy was simply packed, from bottom to top.

FOREIGN NOTES.

The Parisian medical journals contain very complimentary reference to Miss EMMA LA JAUNESSE, a young American lady, who was recently organist in St. Joseph's Church in Albany, and who is now studying singing in Paris. A local English journal states that at a private soirée given at the residence of the poet PACINI, where Mlle. La JEUNESSE sang the grand aria from "Lucia di Lammermoor" in Italian, Prince POLIATOWSKI, the great composer, remarked: "It is impossible to execute with more perfect grace and eloquent grandeur. Her voice is wonderful, full of soul and fine expression."

La Gazzetta states that Mme. VOLPINI has been retengaged for St. Petersburg by order of the Emperor. She is to receive 30,000 francs for four months' services.

ALBANY.

The Conference on the TAX LEVIES—No Agreement—A Mock Session—Adjournment till Monday Morning.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Sunday, May 9, 1869.

Both Houses of the Legislature adjourned at 3:30 o'clock this morning, until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning, without taking any action upon the New-York Tax Levies. The Conference Committees of the two Houses reported, soon after midnight, that they were unable to agree, and were discharged. In the Senate, Mr. GERMAIN moved, on the discharge of the Committee, that the substitute levies passed by the Assembly on Friday night be concurred in. Mr. CROWLEY raised the point of order that, under the rules of the Senate, no motion of this kind could be entertained after the Senate had voted to appoint a Conference Committee. The President decided the point of order well taken, and Mr. O'DONNELL thereupon moved to adjourn, which was lost on a tie vote, the President voting with his party in the negative. A motion to postpone the further consideration of the subject till Monday morning was lost by the same vote. Several other motions were made by the Republicans to stave off action, all of which were lost by the casting vote of the Lieutenant-Governor. In all the votes Mr. HATTOCK went with the Democrats. Alluding to this fact, Senator MORGAN, while speaking on one of the motions, congratulated the Democrats on the accession to their ranks of a member from the Republican side of the House, who had basely deserted his party. He said they were welcome to him, and might hereafter enjoy the reputation of his eminent virtues and purity of character. Mr. O'DONNELL asked whether they had succeeded in debauching another Senator from the Republican ranks that they were so anxious to force a vote on those infamous tax levies to-night? He reminded them that they were trespassing upon the Sabbath, and warned them that the people of this State, who were a Sabbath-loving people, would hold them responsible for this desecration of the day. Finally, in order to get over the ruling of the President, Mr. GREEN moved that the motion whereby it was agreed to go into conference on the TAX LEVIES be reconsidered. The President decided this motion in order, and it was carried, HAVENS still voting with the Democrats. Mr. TWEED then moved that the Senate concur in the Tax Levies as passed by the Assembly, whereupon Mr. MURPHY arose and said that he felt it his duty to ascertain, before voting, what these levies were, and he therefore called for their reading. The Clerk then proceeded to read the Tax Levies through, which occupied three-quarters of an hour. At the conclusion of the reading, a motion to adjourn to Monday morning was made and carried.

MOCK SESSION.

Meantime the Assembly had disposed of all the business pending before it, and while waiting for the action of the Senate, they concluded at 1:30 A. M. to go into mock session.

TONY HARTMAN, of New-York, the funniest man in the House, was called to the chair, and presided over the deliberations of the body in a manner entirely suited to the gravity of the occasion. The proceedings were in the usual style of mock sessions, and all sorts of absurd bills, resolutions, petitions and remonstrances were read and referred, amid a shower of paper bullets hurled in every direction at the heads of the speakers, clerks, members and reporters. Among the best things got off during this mock session was the following bill introduced by Mr. KAVANAGH, of New-York, and read by the Clerk, NED UNDERHILL, by whom it was understood to have been drafted:

AN ACT to incorporate the Elevation Highbinders of the City of New-York.

The People of the State of New-York—represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1.—Jacob Hoffenschmidt, Johann Phillip Schneidschnit, Hodgepitch Pike, William Dumpelwitz, Edward Hogwhistle, Sigismund Von Schoenmagdel, Karl Hochstrich, Christian Von Entenbrust, Ludwig Karl Pfanckuchen, Friedrich Schweinskopf, Peter Beckschlaken, Ferdinand Maximilian Kartoffelsalat, Johann Ludwig Von Pumpernickel, Eberhard Anton Kraut, Detlef Schlagsahne, Wilhelm Karl Pfefferkuchen, and their associates are hereby declared a body corporate, under the name and title of the Elevation Highbinders.

SEC. 2. The corporation hereby created shall have power to sue and be sued, to contract and defend in any Court of competent jurisdiction in this State or the United States, and to make a common seal, having war, to lease personal property, and borrow real estate to an amount only limited by their credit.

SEC. 3. The said corporation shall have power to establish a savings bank in the Assembly Chamber, under the name and title of the "Hoodlum Savings Institution," for the purpose of encouraging and aiding members of the Assembly in March, 1870, to deposit their surplus over and above their hotel and bar expenses during the session of the Legislature; and said bank is hereby authorized to invest in the bonds of the Troy and Albany Horse-Railroad Company to an amount not to exceed ninety per cent of its deposits. But nothing in this act contained shall be construed as authorizing the said Railroad Company to charge more than its present rate of fare in all present franchises.

SEC. 4. The said corporation is hereby authorized to establish ferries across the gutters of State-street, in the City of Albany, for the purpose of transporting passengers across the gutter during the prevalence of equinoctial storms or freshets, and to any charge such sums for fordage as the Mayor and Common Scoundrels of the City of Albany may deem just and reasonable; but any attempt on the part of the ferry authorized to be charged, shall work a forfeiture of this charter. It shall not be lawful for said corporation to use for fuel in the boats of their said ferries any heavy oil, gunpowder, nitro-glycerine, gun-cotton, fast oil, Greek fire, lightning apple-jack, or other explosive material. But it is hereby expressly provided, that kerosene shall not be held to be an explosive material within the meaning of this act.

SEC. 5. The said corporation is hereby invested with all the powers of notaries public, commissioners of highways, path-masters, overseers of the poor, superintendents of common schools, commissioners of excise, police justices, pound keepers, hog reeves, gaugers of pickles, crumbs & the Broadway Surface Railroad, and directors of the Central Park and Plattsburg Railroad, all within the Metropolitan Police District, (except the county of Westchester,) and each of said corporators herein named shall be *ex officio* members of the Third House, and shall at all times have the privilege of the vestibule and clerk room for the exercise of their functions as members of that coordinate branch of the Legislature, and the Clerk of the Assembly is hereby directed to furnish each of said corporators with orders for stationery drawn upon Congress Hall, the Delavan House, Stanwix Hall and the Metropolitan Hotel, and shall furnish the cocktails, gin-cocktails, spiced rums, apple toddies, egg-nogs, rum and jerries, and themes toddies shall be deemed to be satisfactory within the meaning of this act.

SEC. 6. The corporators herein named shall possess all the powers and privileges, and be subject to the general liabilities prescribed in the 4th leaf of Webster's Dictionary.

SEC. 7. This act shall take effect last week.

The mock session lasted about an hour, when word came down that the Senate had adjourned to Monday morning. Speaker YOUNGLOVE resumed the chair, and a motion was made that the Assembly do also adjourn till Monday morning, which was carried, and the members dispersed.

Mayor Hall on the Tax Levies—His Explanation of Them—The State of Tax.

ALBANY, Saturday, May 8.

I desire on my personal and official responsibility to contradict the garbled and inflammatory representations in some papers respecting the magnitude of the Tax Levies. These are the figures stated with the necessary telegraphic succinctness: The amount on the Tax Levies for this year, irrespective of bonds, issued mainly for city improvement and judgments, is in excess of last year only about $300,000. After providing for the interest on the bonds authorized by the levies, and deducting the amount provided for by tax relief bonds, the new taxes are estimated in the aggregate at about twenty-one and a half millions, and are then two millions and a half less than last year. The rate of tax will probably not exceed two and a fifteen per cent, and it was two and a sixty-ninth last year. The origin of the attack upon the tax is apparent to the watchers of political machinery. The majority of the Senate Committee desired to obtain a reputation for economy. The majority of the House Committee bid against them for the like results. Thus the finances of the City were a stake for a rural partisan gambler to win popularity at home, where opposition to the New-York Tax Levies seemingly condones during campaigns for all the other transgressions of their session.

(Signed) A. OAKEY HALL.

AFFAIRS IN FRANCE.

Letter of the Opposition Leaders to the Editor of the Series—The Speakers and Audiences—Victorien Sardou—The Dreamatist of the Past and Hero of the Present.

From Our Own Correspondent.

PARIS, Friday, April 23, 1869.

The public meetings of the Opposition continue in every part of Paris. So long as the speakers do not demand, in so many words, the heads of the Emperor and of the owners of property they are allowed to go on. Several meetings, nevertheless, have been dissolved, and it was exactly because the demand for heads was quite on too large a scale.

The rush to these meetings, good and bad, is so great that one gets the impression of a people thirsting for intelligence—or else of a State in danger. It is impossible not to regret that a people so greedy for information should have so long been deprived of it.

The best of these meetings continue to be held at the immense circus-theatre called after the Prince Imperial. The last meeting was presided over by M. CARNOT, Deputy from Paris, and was addressed by M. RENAN, the celebrated author of the "Life of Jesus." The next meeting will be presided over by M. PELLETAN, Deputy from Paris, and the orator of the occasion will be M. COQUEREL, the famous Protestant preacher. The subject: "War." But the text, you understand, is not held to be particularly binding.

The Policemen at the door continue to be ignorant of what is going on, and will not give anything else than a non-committal reply to anything that is asked of them. They have all joined the Know-Nothings. The employes of the theatre are impudent, for they cannot understand how five thousand people will fight to get seats to hear an old fogy lecture, when they cannot sell three hundred to hear the illustrious LAFEUILLADE tear through a drama!

But we have got inside, and the notabilities are beginning to arrive. What a curious study is the stage! There are fifty heads behind the President's chair, and we may suppose that they are all Republicans, perhaps Red Republicans, come to give moral support to the speaker. In France the *wise-ou-sous* is the first thing to be looked to. A statue is not half so fine as when the relief is good. A handsome French woman fears to risk her beauty without an ugly female companion as a *repoussoir*. Has the organizer of the meeting really thought of this little essential of the decorator's art? One would think so in looking at the queer heads that pop out here and there in the assemblage. Why do the extreme "Reds" think it necessary thus to "make up a physiognomy?" Is it not whistling to keep their courage up? Is it not empty roaring to frighten away the enemy? Because it requires courage to beard such a Government as this, is it therefore necessary to make the beards appear to do their own work by thus twisting them into all sorts of hostile attitudes? What expression do they find in a much-tortured mane on the back, or in an imperial that makes a comma on the chin, or in the cold frizzy of the half-closed eyelids? Why, in fine, may not a Republican—even a Red Republican—look like another man.

But if a certain portion of the Republicans among those who bring themselves into evidence look like anchorites, and Bohemians, and would-be terrorists of the hardest-hearted type, it must be proclaimed on the house-tops that the leaders of the Republican Party of France are anchorites in virtue, Bohemians in wealth, and terrorists on the vices of others. While the men of the Governmental Party do not escape the tongue of scandal, the men of the Republican Party do. It may be hazard, or it may be in the role they play; but the essence of Republicanism is morality, while the essence of despotism is the opposite, and the men of the Republican Party in France have suffered too many defeats and struggled through too much adversity not to carry into their programme of proselytism all the political and social virtues it will hold. It is not, therefore, theory they teach; their practice is in the strictest harmony with their professions.

The audiences at these republican assemblages are no less worthy of study. The people who pay five, three and two francs admission belong to the *bourgeoisie* and the *petite bourgeoisie*, and beyond a terrible enthusiasm for every appeal in favor of liberty and against the despotism under which they live, betray no emotions not peculiar to well-bred people everywhere. But the vast crowd at half a franc a head is quite another thing. Watch this mass of poor men with intellectual aspirations and you will see movements that will startle you and throw terror into your soul. In this country there are no rowdies, nor none of that hideous lower strata of human nature, the swell mob. The material for the development of such a class exists, but the Police have crushed all the rowdy characteristics out of it. Despotism takes the fun out of a man and puts dark thoughts in its place. "In for a spree" means with the rowdy a push, a hurrah and a few bloody noses; here it means something deeper and more terrible.

In this place there are no soldiers to keep guard; they are all left at the door, and for once the mob is its own master. The Republic reigns for a short two hours within these hospitable walls, with the empire and despotism awaiting it at the door as it emerges. See now how fierce and tyrannical the mob is for itself. See how despotism and intolerance in high places beget despotism and intolerance in low places. At each mention of the word liberty, at each insinuation against the Government, at every mention of America and republicanism, or of WASHINGTON and LINCOLN and BRYCHNE STOWE, the mob sways back and forth as one man, with cheers that recall in nothing the cheers of free men. There is a tone in them which admits not of contradiction; they are sinister, and carry defiance in every vibration; they are spontaneous, and bespeak the indignation of men suddenly surprised by the revelation of a great wrong. When one of their number makes a move to rostrum, he is forced back into his seat by a unanimous shout of reprobation; if there is an infringement of the rules by an employe, the tyranny of the mob comes out further in the brutal manner in which he is corrected. It is a crime not to educate people at least up to the point of being safe to themselves.

VICTORIEN SARDOU.

A few years ago the author of the *Rise of the Dutch Republic* was canonized and passed into the state of a god by all the people of the Netherlands. The name of MOTLEY grew to be as familiar to old and young, rich and poor, as that of WILLIAM the Taciturn; his button-holes were filled with the orders of Holland and Flanders, his pockets stuffed with their money, and his portrait suspended in every gallery and by every fireside. But now another god has arisen over the dykes and polders of the Low Country in the person of VICTORIEN SARDOU, the youngest and foremost of French dramatists. His new play of "Patrie" is not only the finest drama of recent production, but it glorifies the heroism of the Flemish and Dutch during their long struggle against the brutal soldiers of PHILIP II. and the Duke of ALBA. The Magi of the North have heard of the infant SARDOU, and they are on their way to Paris with incense and myrrh and rich presents!

The triumph of SARDOU knows no bounds. A new piece is produced every day on the French stage all the year round; the fever of production never ran higher, and yet no piece of the calibre of "Patrie" has been produced in twenty years. SARDOU was already the most successful man on the French stage; he had almost extinguished the fires of the two DUMAS; while his last piece "Seraphine," was at its third month at the Gymnase Theatre, and all the seats still engaged a week in advance, "Patrie" appeared at the Porte St. Martin, and here people literally fight for seats, and will continue to do so for months to come.

"Patrie" is a historical production in which the dramatic art has been pushed to its highest paroxysm; its combinations are original, its situations startling, its literary dressing exquisite. The action, the passion, the manner breathes through every line of it, from beginning to end. What a triumph for the frail young man with a hydrocephalic head, who only a few years ago was starving, and could find no one bold enough to play his first piece!

We cannot write of SARDOU—we listen to one of his pieces, whenever it comes, the third minute he once gave of himself was the one wintry night in a doorway, with a roll of unread manuscript in his pocket, with the wind and rain penetrating his miserable clothing, without money and without friends, and worse than all, with an insurmountable landlord who had turned him out into the street to starve or to freeze!

That was but a short ten years ago, and now SARDOU receives a thousand francs a *day* for his pieces; he owns the magnificent chateau of Marly, on the hill near Malmaison; he lately built a business house in Paris to rent, and he has money in the funds!

MALAKOFF.

JACOB THOMPSON.

Return Home of the Ex-Confederate Exile—Reception by his Old Neighbors and Friends—His Speech.

From the Oxford (Miss.) Falcon, May 3.

On last Saturday it was definitely ascertained that our distinguished fellow-citizen, Hon. JACOB THOMPSON, would reach this place on the 7 o'clock P. M. train, and preparations were made to receive him in a way which would show the high respect and esteem which our entire people entertained for him. He had been long in exile, because of his devotion to the best interests of his native land, and every one felt that a hearty and generous tribute of respect should be tendered him. A few friends of the family, with a band of music, went down to the depot to meet him, and when the train arrived and he descended from the cars, a tremendous shout went up from the assembled throng, and the Oxford Brass Band struck up one of their favorite airs. Colonel L. Q. C. LAMAR, in behalf of the people, then welcomed the distinguished gentleman back to his home in a speech of great eloquence and feeling, which was enthusiastically applauded. Hon. JACOB THOMPSON, in response, spoke as follows:

COLONEL LAMAR, GENTLEMEN AND LADIES: I thank you for this reception. I especially thank you, Mr. LAMAR, for the handsome and eloquent manner in which you have expressed the feelings of those present, in which you have hailed my return among you and bid me welcome. I accept it in the spirit in which it was tendered. It is personal and not political. Your kindness to me and my wife have induced you to come out to meet us, and bid us welcome back to our old home. By this you show us we are not forgotten. We feel cheered by it and will continue to thank you, and as long as my heart repeats its pulsations, so long will this welcome be cherished in our memory. After the many trials and disasters through which we have passed, this meeting is truly refreshing, but it is saddening, also. The picture has its dark shades—old familiar faces are not here, and they will appear no more in our midst. Since we parted many of our friends have been called to their final account, and you have been left to keep vigil over their resting places. Looking into your healthful and cheerful countenance, on the one hand, and calling to mind those true men who are gone, on the other, my feelings overwhelm me and my conflicting emotions can find no voice. Especially was I touched, Colonel LAMAR, your reference to the death of our mutual friend, General HOWARD COBB. He was truly a great, good and pure man. In all the relations of life, private and public, in the Legislative Assembly, in the Council of State, and on the battle-field he discharged his whole duty manfully and well. In making up the jewels of this country, his name will never appear conspicuous. I felt honored in having such a friend, and in being deemed by him worthy of his confidence. May the earth rest lightly on his remains, and when life's struggle is over I hope we may join him in those realms where there is no more death. I have come back to talk you and talk with you over the past, the present, and the prospect of the future. In this interchange of views, of hopes and fears, I hoped and expected to derive pleasure. I assure you that, though in my absence I have wandered far, seen and read a great deal, I have never forgotten my delightful village—clothed all the time, however, in my imagination, in the weeds of mourning—and this charming climate. The greenest spots in my past life are to be found here; and wherever it has been my destiny to roam, I have kept the name, that when my last sun had set and life's fitful fever was o'er, my body might here find a resting-place. I went to see the greatest living nations of the earth, and the countries where the mightiest people of the past lie buried, and I found pleasure and instruction in taking a survey of the whole. Though many valuable lessons were learned, yet a deep melancholy followed me and weighed down my spirits. *I could never forget I was an American citizen*, nor cease to repeat the line of Moore, somewhat paraphrased, "America, I with all thy faults, I love thee still!" At no one time was I tempted to change my nationality. I was born on this soil, and this country is my birthright and my inheritance, and by no act or deed of mine did I wish to forfeit it. A man may have all that money can buy, and be surrounded by all the luxuries and refinements that taste or appetite can suggest, yet *if he has no country, no place or Government, he is poor indeed*. Thus in my wanderings I was often tempted to appropriate to myself the words of Hon. WM. WOODS, some time ago, "The foxes have holes, the birds of the air have nests, but I have not where to lay my head." Though I have endeavored all my life to live with a conscience void of offence toward God or man, yet I have suffered persecutions, but I trust I have borne them with patience. I have been reviled, but I have not reviled again, honor in all things, enduring all things. But how you ask me, and very pertinently, why I have so returned among you earlier. This question, you at once perceive, leads me into the field of politics, into a review of the acts of the Government and the conduct of its officials. There I am in the condition of an unfortunate Irishman who was a sailor on board of a ship at sea, and the Captain ordered him aloft to arrange some part of the rigging. After reaching a considerable height on the mainmast, his hold gave way and down he came on deck with a heavy crash. The Captain frightened, ran to him and in sympathizing tones said, "Patrick, are you dead?" "No," said Pat, "I am not dead, but I am speechless!" In Pat's condition I find myself at this time in regard to politics and the management of the Government for the last four years—I am speechless. In the late struggle for self-government we went to sea in a hastily constructed boat, which for four years gallantly bore the buffetings and beatings of the wind and waves, and finally went down amid the breakers, attracting the admiration of the world. We, the passengers, were thrown out into the turbulent waters, and have been gradually picked up and hauled on board the ship Nationality, where we are permitted to breathe and live, but not allowed any lot of employment in selling the new ship as which we are embarked. Few among us can hold office, a greater number cannot vote. Possibly this is for the best, and in the end it will prove a great blessing. You are relieved of all responsibility in helping to govern the country. Purer and better and wiser citizens, in their own estimation, at least, will freely volunteer to assume the onerous duties of office, and relieve you from all its anxieties and perplexities. This state of things I hope, will result greatly to the advantage of our community, increasing its wealth, happiness and security. While I was in Paris, an intelligent Frenchman said to me he prove to me that under the French Empire the people were the freest, happiest and most prosperous people in the world, secure in all personal rights, in the rights of property, person and reputation; each man allowed to pursue happiness in his own way, and certain of reaping the fruits of his industry. He was debarred from one right only, and that was for his good and welfare. He had no voice in the conduct of public affairs. He could hold no public meetings to criticise the acts of the Emperor or his officials. Hence he was exempt from all care and anxiety on this head, and consequently the Frenchman was a happy man. Why cannot we in the conquered South, reason and feel in the same way? Under such circumstances my opinion is that we ought to imitate, as far as practicable, the example of the great King David. When his child was sick nigh unto death, he mourned, fasted, prostrated himself upon the ground and put on sackcloth, but when the child died, he arose, washed himself, put on gay clothing, and appeared to his attendants with a cheerful countenance. But while our country lay dead, we suffered, fasted, prayed, shed our blood and spent our treasure freely. Now that it is over, *let us cover the extinction of life with a brave, cheerful and manly heart, submitting to the inexorable and overwhelming decree, and energy to take care of ourselves and families.* Owing to the institution of slavery which once obtained among us, our people have been misunderstood and greatly traduced abroad. Let us, by industry, skill and economy, reap all the advantages which have been bestowed within our grasp by the bountiful hand of Providence in our fertile soil and genial climate. Let us, by the practice of virtue and sobriety, and all the charities of life, disarm all criticism. Let us maintain a high standard of education and morality for our youth that they may be enabled for all the duties and responsibilities which may by possibility devolve upon them. Above all, let us struggle with a hearty good will to build up the waste places and secure prosperity and plenty to our people. In all and the God of battles has made some curious and unpalatable dispensations, it is not for us to find out the reasons which controlled Him. It is sure only to they the decision, because from it there is no appeal. In the late war the *power of arms decided that we should remain one people, now and forever.* The God of battles decided the question in favor of the Union. Now the true Christian must justify the ways of God to man, and therefore he must say it was wisest and best that the case should be so decided. From this position a duty is devolved upon every man. Each individual is bound to contribute his mite to make the little people a great people, strong, happy, prosperous and united. I think we may all hold the firm assurance in mind that the public confidence in the governing sections of the United States will soon be restored, and that prejudice and unchariteable feelings will in the end will give way to kindness and brotherly love, that the heal of the upper star will be raised, that our State Government will be placed under the influence of the virtue, the intelligence, religion and wealth of the country, and we shall be placed on an equality with all other citizens of the United States. A great destiny awaits the people of America; we must, if we are permitted to fulfill our destiny, be a united people. We can not exist as a people divided in sentiment and feeling. We can not exist as an aggregate of states, without the existence of character, our honor or our self-respect, but simply to follow the plain dictates of duty, and well, and I feel so certain as the night succeeds the day, so certain will this result follow, if we do our duty. Only be true and faithful to your trust, and all will come right, and be prepared to act well your part when that day arrives. Again, we thank you.

PERSONAL.

The *Financial History of the War*, upon which Hon. E. G. SPAULDING has been for some time past engaged, has just been issued and will be read with interest. It is a handsome volume of 300 pages.

A gentleman in Washington, who holds a position to which is attached a small amount of patronage, says that persons who visited that city to participate in the inaugural ceremonies, and subsequently became applicants for high positions, have, in several instances, solicited from him temporary employment, even as laborers, to enable them to earn a sufficient sum to carry them home, they having failed in their applications for office.

Mr. HENRY LARNY, wanting to change his name, sent the following petition to the Legislature:—

FENFIELD,
Monroe Co., N. Y.,
May 26, 1868.

Mr. Legislator, of the State of New-York:

DEAR SIR: I have the boldness to write you, my business is this: I want a name changed from HENRY LARNY to HENRY BAKER. My Father & Mother died when I was about 3 months old, & Mr. BAKER took me and brought me up, and now I want my name changed to his name; everybody calls me baker now but it also looks. I want my name lawfully HENRY BAKER.

Yours truly
Please oblige yours &c
to the legislator

The petition was at once granted, and "HENRY LARNY" that was now rejoices in the "lawful" name of "HENRY BAKER."

General LEE's reception at Alexandria was very enthusiastic. The *Gazette* of that city says: "Two or three thousand people of all ages, sex, condition and political opinion, must have shaken him by the hand during the evening, and many a delicate glove that took his hand in its firm grasp had a tear, or expectant mother, to be handed down as a valuable heirloom. Many of the young ladies, not satisfied with the pressure of his hand, were rewarded with a kiss."

Commissioner BENJO SEWTER, Esq., has been appointed Commissioner of Emigration for the Territory of Montana. His office will be located in this City.

Home of Historic Art—A New Statuette of E. A. Poe.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

EDGAR A. POE seems to readers of to-day to have belonged to a past age. And yet much less than a generation ago he attracted the gaze of the authors and readers of his time. Even now we often hear of his strange, original and unique works being translated into foreign tongues. The clarion notes of his muse struck but few ears, but they vibrate still. He could never reach the multitude, except through the propagandism of his worshipers. Had POE husbanded his genius, his works, his fortune and his fame, no man can tell how high he would have stood in his lifetime, how long he would have lived, nor how steadily and brilliantly his name would have blazed from "beyond the tomb."

But this could not be. There are men to whom we can no more prescribe rules of conduct than to earthquakes or tempests. They are exceptional in all respects, as were SHELLEY, KEATS, CHATTERTON, BYRON, BURNS.

In POE'S occasional indiscretes, depressions and indulgences, after periods of exhaustive labor and frenzy of passion—in his wierd and astounding creations—in his loves and hates—moving as long as he chose in the highest circles of wealth and culture, and descending at will to the basest—all through his checkered *chiaro-scuro* life, till he met his pauper death among strangers, POE was an enigma—a warning, and an exception to his race. His whole life was an erratic mission of alternate blaze and darkness. He was too strong for earth, or earth was too strong for him. But it matters not which now. He has filled his one grave—and his *Immortal Heart*, where his memory will live green a long time.

It taxes the ingenuity of the best to catch and the essays to pass away from each name, before we can trace the spiritual outlines of character. But those who wish to remember only the good and beautiful in genius, as in scenery, can contemplate POE now with just admiration.

We were glad to learn that Mr. O'DONOVAN, one of our young sculptors, (from Virginia,) had executed a *statuette* of POE which is to go into bronze. It will not sell like works of some of the popular men of the day, perhaps, but there are niches in our country, and among other nations which will be found for it, and in a few days we may therefore give a minute account of this work.

NEW-YORK, May 6, 1869. L.

American Female Guardian Society.

The thirty-fifth anniversary of the American Female Guardian Society was held last night in the Fourth Presbyterian Church in West Thirty-fourth street, near Sixth avenue, Rev. Dr. E. EDDY, of Brooklyn, preaching the anniversary sermon, taking for his text the words: "Help me, O God, for vain is the help of man." The reverend gentleman's application was that as woman is the Godordained teacher of humanity, and, as such, preeminently the world's queen, any attempt to unsex her and place her in a false position only destroys her influence. Home is a woman's kingdom, and there she should reign supreme. The most eminent woman of France, when asked what France most needed, replied: "Mothers;" and that is what the world needs most at the present day. His sermon was a scathing rebuke to those who are attempting to place woman in man's sphere.

The annual report of the Society shows that during the year 327 adults and 402 children have been sheltered in the Home. Of the little ones 180 have been adopted into Christian homes. Of the adults, 199 have been furnished with good situations. No less than 1,000 women have been furnished with places of safety, where they can enjoy the privilege of earning a living in comfort and respectability. The Society has nine industrial schools under its care, where an average attendance of 1,000 children are fed, clothed and taught, while 4,128 were enrolled in the lists during the year. To feed these little ones 42,000 loaves of bread have been furnished by the institution, besides 1,650 and many a warm dinner and comfortable garment to those outside. Donations and legacies amounting to $60,000 have been received. The Treasurer's report shows an expenditure of $49,147 72, and a balance at the year commencing Jan. 1, of $14,014 18.

The Intelligence Office Fraud—The Accused Held for Trial.

FRANK KALLMEYER, aged 25, a German, and proprietor of an intelligence office at No. 128 Grand-street, was arraigned yesterday morning before Justice MANSFIELD, at Essex Market, to answer a series of complaints made against him for fraud. HENRY COHEN, aged 28, a German, residing at No. 91 Bleecker-street, and a clerk for KALLMEYER, was also arraigned with his employer to answer the same complaints. AARON HOFFMAN, of No. 127 West Twenty-fifth-street; CHARLES P. BROWN, of No. 41 Third-avenue; ADOLPH DONSHELDT, of No. 3 Ewen-street, Williamsburg; JOHN CLARK, of No. 22 Bayard-street; HERMAN RUHAT, of No. 240 Second-avenue; HENRY KRAMER, of No. 92 Market-street; CHAS. PLESS, of No. 26 Market-street, and JAMES MURPHY, of No. 60 Pike-street, all made affidavits yesterday, in which they stated that they had all answered advertisements in newspapers, of which City, inserted by the accused, and offering all applicants situations. Each of the complainants deposited $6 80 as a fee, and they, none of them, received any advantages or situations from sitting of the prisoners. A full description of the method and manner of this swindle has been published heretofore in this paper. The prisoners were held to answer each of the eight complaints preferred against them, and were locked up in default of $1,400 bail each.

A New Phase in an Old Case.

PATRICK COLLINS, of No. 9 State-street, who caused the arrest of two young men on Saturday, and their committal for trial by Justice HOGAN on a charge of having stolen from him a rowboat, again caused the rule of complainant yesterday, in the scene being at the Essex Market Police Court, before Justice MANSFIELD. Mr. COLLINS preferred a charge of larceny against JOHN COBY, of No. 324 Water-street, accusing him of having, on the 9th of April, obtained from him a rowboat valued at $40, by being implicated with Coby in the theft of the boat. At the prisoner could make no other explanation of his conduct than that he had left the boat at the foot of Jackson-street, the magistrate locked him up for trial.

Riot Among Firemen.

THOS. DOYLE, PATRICK O'NEIL, "Belfast" alias James McFride, and JOHN O'NEIL, were arrested at 1:30 o'clock yesterday morning, charged with disorderly conduct and robbing the money drawer at JOHN HUGHES' liquor store, No. 351 South Hudson-street, Jersey City, of about $20. From the statements made it appears that the prisoners went into Hughes' place, where they found quite a number of the members of Engine Company No. 6, between whom an ill-feeling exists.

The prisoners allege that they went up to the bar, and while in the act of taking a drink, when Thomas Dolan, of Engine Company, No. 6, struck McBRIDE a blow in the face. The two men fought, and fought until they got out on the sidewalk, where McBRIDE received a deep thrust through the muscle of the left arm, and DOLAN received several knife cuts on the right hand. It is uncertain that the other parties were engaged in the fight, in which both the and other weapons were used, but no one appears to have received serious injuries. Before Acting Recorder CHANDLER yesterday, the complainant, HUGHES, withdrew the charge, agreeing to compromise, the accused being discharged on paying a fine of $5 each, for disorderly conduct.

Ordination of the South-Carolina by Rev. Mr. Van Meter.

Rev. Mr. VAN METER, of this City, has recently returned from an extended tour through the South, whither he went under the auspices of the Baptist Publication Society. Yesterday he made two addresses, giving an account of his trip, in the morning at the Baptist Church in Twenty-fifth-street, and in the evening at the Mission-street Church. He described the condition of the poor whites and blacks in Tennessee, Virginia and other States, and urged the necessity of sending them books and missionaries. He met with many instances, he said, of devotion to the cause of Christ

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Last week was one of the dullest of the season. The sales were generally small, and, with one or two exceptions, the pieces of property offered were worth no more than a passing notice. The Central-avenue property sold on Wednesday by Mr. JAMES M. MILLER, was very valuable, and was knocked down at good prices. The Laurens-street property sold on Friday by Mr. JOSEPH MCGUIRE, was quite desirable, and sold well.

The largest sales, as will be seen by the following statement, were of New-York improved property, and of country improved property. These two are the kinds most in demand; for unimproved City property there is now but little call, and until next Fall the offerings will probably be very light.

The sales for the week were as follows:

New-York improved property	$[illegible]
New-York unimproved property	13,500
Brooklyn improved property	[illegible]
Brooklyn unimproved property	16,600
County property, including Central-avenue, Flatbush, Greenpoint, Long Branch, &c.	194,800
Total for the week	$464,450

The sales for the previous week were:

New-York improved property	$211,275
New-York unimproved property	24,375
Brooklyn improved property	170,600
Brooklyn unimproved property	181,000
County property	42,900
New-York lease property	9,000
Total for the week ending May 1	$1,012,600

Total for the week ending May 8	$464,450
Total for the month of January	2,202,125
Total for the month of February	2,115,350
Total for the month of March	14,067,314
Total for the month of April	7,280,400
Grand total	$25,917,840

This week will be a very busy and interesting one. During the next few days several large and important sales will be made of property well located, of easy access, and in every way desirable.

The absolute and unreserved sale of Central-avenue lots, to be made at the salesroom this day, by Mr. JAMES M. MILLER, is worthy of special notice. The property is part of the Loring Andrews Estate, and is located at Fordham, Westchester County, N. Y. Our City is fast becoming overcrowded, and great numbers of the most worthy and substantial citizens are securing suburban homes. Westchester County is the natural outlet of the great Metropolis, through it pass three of the best railroads in the State, the City horse-cars pierce far into its interior, and magnificent river steamers stop at various points along its shores. It is being rapidly improved, and is almost all easy by desirable neighbors. On every side buildings are going up, magnificent mansions, elegant villas, and quiet little cottages. It is suitable for all, the rich and the poor alike. It offers many means of healthful enjoyment. The Harlem River and the Sound offer excellent facilities for boating, fishing and bathing, and the various drives compare favorably with any within thirty miles of New-York. Far-seeing capitalists have bought very largely in different parts of it, not for purposes of speculation but for investment. The property to be sold by Mr. MILLER is perhaps the handsomest on Central-avenue yet offered at auction. It is located in one of the most desirable neighborhoods in the lower part of the county, overlooks a portion of New-York and Fordham, and is within a few minutes' walk of several churches and school-houses. It is reported that one of the most popular and successful hotel keepers on Harlem-lane has purchased a site on Central-avenue, between this property and Jerome Park, on which he intends erecting a grand hotel. Increased railroad facilities for transportation to and from the business centres of New-York are also contemplated, and many other improvements will shortly be made. Over 150 men and carts are now at work on this property. The streets will be better finished, and the plants on the avenue cut down to a good grade, free of expense to the purchaser. The terms are liberal and no fancy prices are expected. A good day's sale may therefore be fairly looked for.

Messrs. A. J. BLEECKER, SON & CO. have to-day a large sale of Rutherford Park lots belonging to E. D. CORDIS, and sold to divide interests. They are delightfully located, are but nine miles from New-York, and the surroundings are all good. The Morris and Essex Railroad are now breaking ground for their track close to this property, and the Montclair Railroad will be at work within a week or ten days on their road. The sale will take place on the premises at 1 o'clock. Previous to it a liberal lunch will be served. A special train will leave the foot of Chambers-street at 11 o'clock. Maps and free tickets may be had at the office of the auctioneer, No. 37 Cedar-street.

Messrs. JOHNSON & MILLER will sell to-day, on the premises, 500 splendid building lots, located at Newtown, L. I., and known as the "Bayside Homestead." The location is unexceptionable. The lots are but four minutes' walk from the depot, and within a stone's throw of half a dozen churches and schools. The streets are opened and graded. Twenty-four trains pass daily over the Flushing Railroad. Time from New-York, thirty minutes. The sale will take place rain or shine. A boat will leave James-slip at 11:30, and Thirty-fourth-street at 11:45 o'clock, to connect with the special train which leaves Hunter's Point at 12 M. Before the sale a fine lunch. Maps and free tickets may be had of the auctioneer, No. 15 Nassau-street.

To-morrow Messrs. BLEECKER, SON & CO. will sell over 125 acres of land, (which will be offered in parcels varying from three to five acres;) also mansion, coach-house, graperies, &c., located at Dobbs' Ferry, on the Hudson, being the residence and estate of the late JAMES B. DANFORTH, and known as "Dry Brook." The property commands beautiful views of the Hudson River and Saw Mill River Valley, and is within a mile of the railroad station and steamboat landing.

On Wednesday Messrs. R. H. LUDLOW & CO. have a large and peremptory sale, by order of administrator and trustee, of valuable property on Prospect Park, Flatbush turnpike and Catherine-street, Vernon and Bedford avenues, Prospect, Lott, Clinton, Franklin and Clove streets, Flatbush; Carlton-avenue, Dean, Bergen and Wyckoff streets, Brooklyn. Also, property at East New-York and Jamaica, Long Island; and Dobbs' Ferry, Westchester County, N. Y., late the property of JOHN A. WILLINK, Esq., late of Flatbush, Long Island. Sale to be continued till the whole is disposed of.

On Thursday Messrs. A. D. MILLICK, Jr., & BRO. have a great sale of 160 ville plots at West Roselle, beautifully situated on elevated ground, commanding fine views of the mountains and the surrounding country. Roselle is located on the Central Railroad of New-Jersey, forty-three minutes from the New-York side of the river, and two and a half miles from the City of Elizabeth. Probably no town in the state of New-Jersey has improved within the past two years to an equal extent. A special train will leave the foot of Liberty-st. at 11 A. M. on the day of sale. Lunch on the arrival of the train. For maps, railroad passes, and further particulars, apply at the office of the auctioneers, No. 28 Pine-st., New-York.

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Bedford-st., s. e. cor. of Commerce-st., 22x28 ..... $7,000
Broad-st., w. s., 24.2 ft. n. of Beaver-st., 24.11 [illegible] 18,000
New-st., e. s., 125 ft. n. of Beaver-st., 18.8x37.6x [illegible] 18,000
Greene-st., w. s., 125 ft. n. of Amity-st., 25x100 19,000
Ludlow-st., between Stanton and Houston sts., lot known as No. 10, 25x75 17,000
Madison-st., s. s., 194.11 ft. e. of Pike-st., 25x100 7,000
Madison-st., s. s., 94.11 ft. e. of Amity-st., 25x100 16,000
Pearl-st., No. 488, 24x60x50x60 37,000
Sullivan-st., w. s., known as No. 1,338, cottage 10,000
James Delancey, 25x100 15,000
[illegible] 4,000
[illegible] 32,000
[illegible] 32,000
[illegible] 34,000
[illegible] 14,000
[illegible] 14,000
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6.30 A.M.	6.45 A.M.	
8.00 A.M.	8.40 A.M.	Day Express, for Rochester, Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South. Newly and improved Drawing-room Coaches are attached to this train, running through without change.
8.30 A.M.	8.30 A.M.	Way Train daily, for Greycourt and intermediate stations.
9.30 A.M.	9.30 A.M.	For Hackensack, Piermont and Monsey.
11.30 A.M.	11.30 A.M.	Way Train, daily, for Port Jervis and intermediate stations.
12.00 M.	12.00 M.	For Hackensack and Paterson.
1.30 P.M.	1.30 P.M.	For Piermont and Monsey.
3.30 P.M.	3.30 P.M.	Daily for Paterson.
4.30 P.M.	4.30 P.M.	Way Train, for Middletown and intermediate stations. Also for Piermont.
4.00 P.M.	4.00 P.M.	For Paterson and Hackensack.
4.30 P.M.	4.30 P.M.	For Piermont and Monsey.
5.30 P.M.	5.30 P.M.	Orange County Express, running only at Sterling Junction, Turner's and Salisbury Mills, for Newburgh, Unionville and Port Jervis.
6.00 P.M.	6.00 P.M.	Way Train, for Suffern and intermediate stations. Also for Hackensack.
6.00 P.M.	6.10 P.M.	For Piermont and Monsey.
6.30 P.M.	6.30 P.M.	Pacific Express, for Buffalo, Dunkirk, Cleveland, Cincinnati, and all points West and South.
8.00 P.M.	8.40 P.M.	For Paterson.
8.00 P.M.	9.00 P.M.	Emigrant Train, daily, for the West.
11.30 P.M.	11.30 P.M.	Express Train, for Suffern and intermediate stations.
12.00 P.M.	12.00 P.M.	Saturdays only, Theatre train for Piermont.

Tickets can be obtained, and orders for the checking of baggage may be left at the Company's offices, Nos. 241 and 377 (corner 23d-st. and Fifth-av.) Broadway, and at Depots foot of Chambers-st., and foot of 23d-st., New-York, and at Long Dock Depot, Jersey City.
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LONG ISLAND RAILROAD.
Leave Jamaica: 6 A. M., Mail train for Northport and Greenport; 10.30 A. M., for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington and Northport; 3.30 P. M., Greenport Express; 4.30 P. M., for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington, Northport and Yaphank; 5.45 P. M., for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington and Northport; 7 P. M., for Jamaica and Hempstead. All trains connect with boats for Hunters Point. Special trains for Roslyn, Glen Cove, Locust Valley, Huntington and Northport leave Hunter's Point at 9 A. M. and 6 P. M.
L. D. BARTON, Superintendent.

NEW-YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD.
CHANGE OF TIME.
MONDAY, April 26, 1869, Express trains will leave 86th-st. and 4th-av. at 7 A. M. and 4 P. M. for Albany, Troy, Pittsfield, and Chatham. Mail train will leave at 10 A. M., and Parlor train at 4.15 P. M.
J. C. BUCKHOUT, Supt., &c.
NEW-YORK, April 26, 1869.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.—Trains for Albany and Troy, connecting with Northern and Western trains, leave New-York at 5.30 A. M. (Express), and Chatham Mail train at 6 A. M. (Express, 10.40 A. M.; Montreal Express, 4 P. M.; Pacific Express, 6.00 P. M.; Night Express, 11 P. M. Elegant drawing-room cars attached to all day trains and sleeping cars to all night trains. The 7 P. M. train runs on Sundays.
APRIL 26, 1869. WM. H. VANDERBILT, V.-President.

SOUTHSIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—Leave Roosevelt-st. Ferry, New-York, 8.30 A. M.; mail train, 3.15 P. M.; express for Sayville, 4.45 P. M.; express, 6.15 P. M.; express for Islip and Babylon, 5.30 P. M. Leave Islip, 6.30 A. M., accommodation, and Sayville, 7.30 A. M., express, and 12.00 mail, Leave Jamaica, 7.20, 8.20, 9.20 A. M. and 5.40 P. M.
R. WEITE, Superintendent.

NORTHERN RAILROAD OF NEW-JERSEY.—Trains will leave Pier No. 1 North River, Favorite Ferry, foot of Chambers-st., as follows: At 9 A. M., 4.15, 5.15 and 6.30 P. M. And Saturdays, only 12, midnight. The 1 and 4.15 P. M. run through to Monsey. NOV. 1, 1868. THOS. W. DEMAREST, Supt.

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TO PURCHASE A FIRST-CLASS PIANO-FORTE FOR $200.
A lot of (10) ten Pianos will be offered for sale this week for $200 each, at
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Catalogue price $450.
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THE STEAMER SEA BIRD WILL leave Pier 8, foot of Warren-st., for Sheepshead Bay and Long Branch,
AS FOLLOWS:

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Saturday, May 1,	11 A. M.	Monday, May 3,	8 A. M.
Tuesday, May 4,	10 A. M.	Tuesday, May 4,	2 P. M.
Wednesday, May 5,	11 A. M.	Wednesday, May 5,	3 P. M.
Thursday, May 6,	3 P. M.	Friday, May 7,	10 A. M.
Saturday, May 8,	2 P. M.	Monday, May 10,	7 A. M.

FOR EXCURSION AND PICNIC PARTIES.—The steamboat ALBATROSS, Capt. HOLLOW, unsurpassed for speed and comfort. Also, Dudley's Grove, Myers' Grove, Alderney Park and Harris' Beach Grove. Inquire WALTER SANDS, WILLIAM MYERS, 1 Fulton-st., or PARSONS' and MERCHANT, with steamboats of all kinds, at the choice of days apply early at the office of J. & E. MYERS, on bonny of barge IRBIT, foot of Morton-st.

STEAMER ARSENIC WILL LEAVE NEW-YORK, Leaving in place of Steamer MARY COMPLE, SATURDAY, May 1, 1869, for Cozzens', West Point, Cornwall, Newburgh, Milton, Poughkeepsie and Rhinebeck, at 5 P. M. Returning, leave Rhinebeck every afternoon at 6. The POWELL will occupy the route as soon as vacated.

FOR GLEN COVE AND BOSLYN—LAND-ing at White Stone, Bayside Dock (Ft. Schuyler), Co. Neck, Sands' Pt., Hicks's Dock and Glenwood—Str. Sewanhaka leaves Peck-slip, every afternoon (Sundays excepted) at 4 o'clock, returning from Glenwood at 7. Freight of baggage and merchandise have generally reached A morning boat from N. Y. will be put on early in June.

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FOR BRIDGEPORT, AND POINTS WEST.—Fare 75c. Staterooms 50c. Steamboats leave Catharine-slip at 11 noon and 5:30 P. M.; leave 35th-st., East River, at 5:30 P. M.

FOR NORWALK AND DANBURY.—The steamer NELLY WHITE leaves daily foot of Market-st., at 5:45, and 3:30 P. M.

FOR NEW-HAVEN, HARTFORD, &C.—Pier 41. Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

SUMMER RESORTS.

LONG BRANCH, N. J.
THE MANSION HOUSE will open June 1.
S. LAIRD, Proprietor.
THE METROPOLITAN HOTEL will open June 15.
Apply to S. LAIRD, Proprietor.
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Mr. S. LAIRD can be seen at Metropolitan Hotel Wednesday, Thursday and Tuesday of each week between 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

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Terms for the month of June, $2 50 per day, or $21 per week.
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Open on the 1st of June. One cottage with nine rooms to let. For further particulars address
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NO. 20 EAST 29TH-ST., (BETWEEN Madison and 4th-avs.), will be ready to let to gentlemen, and a large handsome room on second floor for gentleman and wife; house and location very desirable; convenient to cars and first-class restaurants.

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Pupils can remain and receive instruction during vacation.
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PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR ENVELOPES.
POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT, April 8, 1869.
SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this Department until May 3, at 3 o'clock P. M., for furnishing envelopes for the official use of Postmasters during a period of two years from the 1st of July, 1869. The estimated number of envelopes that will be required annually is as follows:
Class No. 1, 1,000,000, more or less, 3½ by 5½ inches.
Class No. 2, 4,000,000, more or less, 4½ by 10½ inches.
Class No. 3, 1,000,000, more or less, 4½ by 9½ inches.
Class No. 4, 750,000, more or less, 4 by 9 inches.
Class No. 5, 250,000, more or less, 4½ by 10½ inches.
For Class No. 1, the ordinary quality of buff or yellow manila, with a suitable gum. For Class No. 2, the same from rag white, green and buff or cream-colored paper, as may be required, of approved quality.
All the above-described envelopes must be made in the usual form, with a suitable gum, and must have upon the entire length of the flap, and must have such printing upon the face as may be directed by the Postmaster-General, and be packed in boxes of from twenty-five, packed in pasteboard or straw boxes; each box contain not less than 500 envelopes of letter size, and 250 each of extra letter, official, and extra official size, and be ready for delivery, or be put up, if required, by the contractor, in strong paper, or in such transportation boxes as may be required by the Department. When required to be delivered at the Department, the transport will be paid by the Department.
When 1,000 or more envelopes are required to fill the order of a Postmaster, they must be put up in strong wooden boxes and properly addressed; but when less than 1,000 are required, they may be delivered in small packages by the contractor, and the whole to be done under the direction of an agent of the Department.
The envelopes must be furnished in such quantities as may from time to time be required to fill orders of Postmasters or by the Department, and to be delivered either at the Post Office of the city where the contract is made, or at the Post Office in Washington, as the Department, or the Postmaster-General may direct, free of cost for packing.
Bids are also invited for such envelopes, more or less, of the size of Class No. 1, made of manila paper, 4 by 8 and 9 inches, and to be printed in the manner prescribed by the Department, for use in the Dead Letter Office and at the Dead Letter Branches Agency in the City of New-York. These envelopes to be delivered in good order, free of cost for packing, both at the Agency in New-York and to the Department at Washington, D. C., in quantities at from time to time to be required by the Department.
All proposals will be considered for furnishing 10,000, more or less, annually, of "Registered Package Envelopes," 8 by 10½ inches, made from heavy bond or manila paper, with suitable gum, and printed as may be required by the Postmaster-General, and STRIPED BOTH ACROSS THE FACE AND BACK, LENGTHWISE IN RED, the same to be put up in packages of 100 or more each, and to be packed in wooden cases in quantities of 4,000 or 5,000 each, for delivery at the Department, or to Postmasters, as may be directed, free of cost for packing.
All envelopes embraced in this advertisement required for delivery at the Department are to be conveyed as freight, free of cost for transportation, from the factory to Washington, in such lots as may be directed.
The delivery of envelopes specified above to be made on or about the 1st of July next.
Specimens of the different kinds of envelopes for which proposals are invited may be seen on application at the principal Post Offices, or at the Department.
Bidders are required to furnish specimens of the envelopes they propose to furnish; no bid will be considered unless offered by envelope manufacturers, accompanied by satisfactory guarantees.
The price bid and the quality of samples submitted will be taken into consideration in awarding the contract.
Bonds will be required for the faithful

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

American and Foreign Christian Union.

This Society is to have no anniversary meetings this year, but sermons were preached in its behalf in several churches yesterday. In Dr. ADAMS' church Rev. SAMUEL W. ADAMS preached, taking for his text an abstract of the eighteenth chapter of Revelations, the prophecies supposed to refer to the Church of Rome. He first indicated the points of resemblance between the power there described and the Romish Church, and then stated the principles of the true, living Church: First, that the Bible is the only infallible rule for Christian conduct; second, the reading and interpretation of the Bible are free to every one; third, a corollary of the second, so man has the right to assume the sole authority to explain the Bible; fourth, no man, and no body of men are justified in making laws for the consciences of others; fifth, no State has the right to interfere with freedom in regard to religious matters. The first four were the principles adopted by the Protesting body at the time of the Reformation. The nations which have recognized them have shown a marked progress in all the noblest elements of civilization. "If this is failure, as we see we would be Protestants and ought to be Christians, declare, then the Protestant Church has failed. Italy, worshiping the Virgin and kissing the toe of a senseless statue, is filled with beggars and banditti. Is this success?" We, as Protestants, have certain duties in reference to the Roman Church. We are not to imitate its bigotry, but acknowledge the truth which is contained in its dogmas, as well as the piety of some of its followers. Many of its institutions were once useful and are now only obsolete. But admitting all that is good in Roman Catholicism, let us examine its general character. In the first place, it is founded on a monstrous despotism claiming absolute power not only in this world, but in the world to come. It threatens eternal perdition to all who refuse to accept its tenets. Secondly, this despotism is sustained by a most ingenious tyrannicism—Pope, cardinals, monks and Jesuits; a hierarchy governed only by itself in every country over which it has extended itself. The third point is the sensuous nature of its worship and ceremonies; the endless festivals in honor of the dead; the confessional, with its temptations to sin. Is it wonderful that under such a system the Pope and his creatures rose while the common people sunk? This is the system which is making every effort to insinuate itself among our people to break down our religion and to prepare us for a despotism. Our duty toward this power is to grant it all the privileges in the State which we ask for ourselves; but we should distinguish between Roman Catholic people and the Roman hierarchy. It is not a matter of indifference to us whether a Roman potentate is to exercise authority over one class of our people. Our nation has lost its homogeneity. To assimilate the various elements among us is the most glorious work that was ever set before a Church; but to accomplish this we must change our method and make in an earnest effort. It is no time to dispute about trivial points. We are to go forth in the spirit of one Lord and one Gospel to save the nation. We may be confident of success.

Rev. Henry Ward Beecher on the Wise Forecast.

"Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit unto his stature?—Matthew vi., 27.

The above was Mr. BEECHER's text yesterday. He said the diameter of each day was indicated by the amount of good done and enjoyed, not by the rising and setting sun. A wise forecast was good, but a painful looking forward was bad. The past belonged to gratitude, the present to contentment and work, the future to hope and trust. The birds found food from the material provided by natural law, and the flowers knew how to take nourishment. The material knowledge enabled the one to feed itself, and the other to make for itself a crown of glory. A man ought to be ashamed that a bird could get a living and he could not. What was the use of the difference between the bird and the man if the man could not accomplish as much. The word *thought* in the text should have been rendered anxiety. The moment the thought, good enough in itself, was brought to the line of need and anxiety it was unwise—unprofitable. The provision made by anxious forethought must be unprofitable. The mind was more sure in its forethought if its exercise was pleasurable; but when the mind was driven into anxiety—that is, when it became diseased, for a time at least, the results were sure to be unprofitable. This suggested the importance of common sense. If a shipmaster went to sea with disordered chronometer and compasses, then all was disorder; so also with man—let his mind once become disordered, and his whole voyage of life must be affected thereby. Painful foreknowing distorted the mind and suppressed or set aside common sense. Of this condition was born malign feeling, which took hold of the future with fear and trouble and avaricious pride; avarice and vanity all listened to the lying voice of fear. Upon the average men suffered more from what did not happen than from what did happen. He thought ministers did not go to theatres because they saw so much high and low comedy in human life every day—saw it presented more vividly than they could see it in the theatre. Natural law was so profuse in its benefactions that there was no need to borrow. Men were children when they were afraid. Men got unduly elated in prosperity, and unduly depressed in adversity. Belief in God was the grand stronghold. The strength of man lay in his relations with God. A man with a real abiding faith in his Saviour would never encounter any trouble too great for him to bear.

Church Union—Sermon by Rev. William I. Loomis.

Rev. WM. I. LOOMIS, Pastor of the Antioch Baptist Church, Bleecker-street, preached at that church last evening on "Church Union." He counseled the taking of the New Testament as the foundation on which such union should be based, and the discarding of all doctrines that have a purely human origin. In this way only, he contended, could Christian efforts be united in furtherance of the salvation of mankind. At the close of the sermon the ordinance of baptism was administered, by immersion, to a gentleman who has recently made a profession of faith in the Baptist doctrine, and announced that there would be further baptisms on Sunday next.

Installation of Rev. Dr. Carroll in Lee-avenue Church, Brooklyn—Interesting Charge to the New Pastor.

Rev. J. HALSTED CARROLL, D. D., late of New-Haven, Conn., was installed pastor of Lee-avenue Reformed Church yesterday afternoon. The exercises were conducted by Rev. Mr. ALIGER, of Jamaica. The sermon was preached by Rev. Mr. SHERMAN, of Newtown, L. I., from the following text:

"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us."—2 Corinthians iv., 7.

The points dwelt upon by the preacher were, first, the similitude under which the Gospel was likened in the text—a treasure; second, the repository of this treasure; and, third, the design as stated by the Apostle in the text.

Rev. Mr. ALIGER propounded the usual questions to pastor and people.

Rev. ELBERT S. PORTER, D. D., delivered the charge to the pastor. In the course of this address Dr. PORTER said, that so much had been said of preaching that it might seem superfluous to add anything more to the general discussion. But in these days, especially in our larger cities, principles, opinions and customs are in vogue of so baneful a character, and so fatally prejudicial to morals and religion, that we might well use such an occasion as that to combat them, and defend the right of the ministry to act under its divine commission. Words that once had a settled meaning were losing that distinct signification. For instance, the term church in former days was supposed to define an institution set for the defence of the Gospel, and within whose hallowed walls there could be heard the ever-living Gospel. But superstition, fashion and advanced science, so called, had combined to raise a doubt whether the church was a place for prayer, a concert-room, a political club, or a School of Christ. Fantastic efforts among the votaries of superstition to revive the religious pantomime of the middle ages, and to convert the events of our Saviour's life into matters for melo-dramatic performance, were growing in favor among impulsive young girls, led captive by the arts of manmilliners who reduced the arts of the shop to the trappings of a ritualistic show. The fashion of the world too, which changed with the moon, that hated the old because it was old, and loved the new so long as it was new, and because it was new, readily mixed itself into friendship with shallow conceits and inane theories, and thus, so far as it could, converted the Church into a laboratory of sensational gewgaws that were expected for admission on the Sabbath days when winds were fair, and quickly blasted the earth. Where ritualism repelled, and sensational toys failed to charm, desire was often shown for scientific exploits that should throw Moses and the prophets into the shade, and even eclipse the visions of God. Hence it had come to pass that in buildings styled churches texts were taken from the Bible and sermons preached on the latest crochets that had stirred the addled brains of despairing philosophers; and such was the zeal of political partisanship that many had come to think the doctrine of the atonement of little or no value, unless preached by lips accustomed to boil about the shibboleth of some one or other political party. Hence, under pressure of sore temptation, ministry had secured a cheap notoriety at times, by taking sides with Pilate against Christ. It was the glory and strength of their venerable and honored Church (Reformed) that it would not have its ministers play the mountebank, the novelist or the politician in its pulpits. They who attempted these parts soon found themselves unappreciated, and were constrained to go where the consciences and artistic performances of a Sunday entertainment received a better compensation. Surprise might be endured at long intervals, but where they received weekly became intolerable. So the minister of the Gospel who made the bad mistake of trying, every Sabbath, to explode some tremendous fuse beneath his congregation, would soon find that curiosity must languish where there was nothing better than noise to keep up its intermittent fever. Doses of pungent anecdotes, dilities of personal vanity, startling and frantic attitudes of affected passion, and mimic thunders roled in the mists of thin and fleecy thought, were very taking and popular materials to be used in the Church of the nineteenth century. But such stalkings were not built of bamboo and pasteboard; their walls must rest on the rock of ages, and composed of lively stones that would take the polish of Divine truth, and reflect the image of Jesus Christ. He announced to the new pastor that his utterance must come from the heart; that it was not necessary for him to occupy the pulpit as a narrow sectarian and hide-bound bigot, for there were no lanes in the Reformed Church.

Rev. Mr. ALIGER delivered the charge to the people, in which he admonished them to pay for and cooperate with their pastor.

The pastoral relation being thus duly consummated, the children of the Sunday School and the congregation sang "Glory to God in the Highest."

Rev. Dr. CARROLL pronounced the benediction, and the services were ended.

New-York Bible Society.

The New-York Bible Society celebrated its forty-first anniversary last evening by religious exercises in the Central Methodist Episcopal Church, Seventh-avenue. The assemblage present was quite large.

JOHN E. PARSONS, Esq., President of the Society, presided, and among those present and sharing in the exercises were Rev. THOMAS R. HASTINGS, D. D., of the Presbyterian Church; Rev. WM. R. MCVICKAR, of the Episcopal Church; Rev. CYRUS D. FOSS, of the Methodist Episcopal Churches. The exercises of the evening consisted of singing, prayer, reading of the report of the Society and addresses. By the annual report read by the Secretary, S. HASTINGS GRANT, Esq., it appears that during the past year the Society has distributed in all 26,341 volumes of the Scriptures at a cost of $14,805 46. Of this number 324 were left at hotels and engine-houses, 4,504 distributed to Sunday Schools, 1,864 to public institutions, 19,086 to emigrants, 740 to military posts, 4,425 to seamen on shore, and 15,000 to seamen on board 400 ships. The agents of the Society visited during the past year 45,972 families, of whom 6,426 were destitute of the Scriptures, 3,398 Catholic, and 3,304 refused to accept or buy.

The reading of the report was followed by an address by Rev. THOMAS R. HASTINGS, D. D. He called attention to a misunderstanding which generally prevailed in relation to this Society, and which resulted in confounding it with the parent society. The latter had a far wider field of operations, and a much larger constituency, while this Society devoted itself exclusively to the wants and necessities of this City, its object being to meet the already large and ever-increasing demand for the Scriptures.

He called attention to the difficulties to be overcome by the Society in this work—difficulties, he said, arising to a very great extent from the lines of distinction drawn between the different classes. During the riots in this City he had mingled with the vast crowd, and it seemed to him, nothing but an upheaval of the very lowest stratum could have brought to light, and he involuntarily asked himself whence came these people, where have they been? These are the people who, now seemingly having nothing in common with the great mass, the Society seeks to reach. New-York is like a mighty filter through which the stream of immigration passes, the purest and best pushing Westward, while the mud of ignorance remains with us. But we have in our midst not only the very worst, but also the very best. Criticise, as some may, our churches and people, yet when anything is wanted this side of the Rocky Mountains, they are sure to come to New-York to get it. He concluded by characterizing the Bible as the Ark of Jehovah, God incarnate in literature; and if we really believe it to be such, let us not touch it with a trembling hand lest that hand and arm be palsied by retributive justice. To the Society he would say, "Fear not therefore little flock; it is your Father's good will to give you the kingdom."

Dr. HASTINGS was followed by Drs. MCVICKAR and FOSS in earnest addresses in behalf of the local Society and the work it seeks to accomplish, and the services were concluded by singing the Doxology and pronouncing the benediction.

The American Seamen's Friend Society—Sermon by Rev. T. L. Cuyler.

The forty-first annual report of the American Seamen's Friend Society was presented and read to a very large audience at the church on the corner of Twenty-ninth-street and Fifth-avenue last evening. Rev. CHANCELLOR PERRIN presided, and prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. SPAULDING. From the report of the Secretary, Rev. S. H. HALL, the following is gleaned:

SEA MISSIONS OR LOAN LIBRARIES.

Whole number shipped from May 1, 1868, to May 1, 1869, including 37 new ones and 400 old ones returned and reshipped, is 437, and accessible to 12,824 seamen. Of these 17 were shipped in the United States Navy since 1861; 740 libraries have been shipped in the navy and accessible at different times to about 83,000 men. Of these libraries 290 have been returned and reshipped in the merchant service. The whole number shipped by the Society since 1859 has been 3,026, containing about 126,000 volumes, and with the 1,870 reshipments, accessible to 197,000 seamen. These libraries have been in the charge of 4,367 seamen, becoming thus a living agency of good to themselves and shipmates. The hopeful conversions reported during the year have been 471, which 405 since the work began. It is probable the judgment will reveal a much larger number. The system is revolutionizing the character and conduct of the men on shipboard, and officers are coming to see and acknowledge its influence for good on the ship's discipline. A library of twenty or fifty volumes costs the Society $15. Where an agency so economical and yet so potent! The detailed reports from several of these stations furnish rich themes for gratitude to God for the influences of His spirit on these devoted and humble laborers for Christ. One sailor missionary in Sweden reports 130 hopeful converts; another 74; others report more indefinite—yet encouraging, and more or less conversions. A missionary in Norway reports a wonderful awakening and general inquiry after salvation, crowded meetings of deep and solemn interest, but does not give the number of conversions. The Society has thirteen missionaries in Scandanavia, that northern hive from which swarm our best sailors. Most of these missionaries are converted sailors, and are wonderfully successful in winning souls to Christ. From Belgium, France, Buenos Ayres, Chili, Sandwich Islands, and China, the detailed reports are more or less encouraging intelligence, and a considerable number of hopeful conversions. The Society has in the foreign field, supported wholly or in part from its treasury, twenty-eight chaplains and missionaries. The chaplains in the Southern ports still labor under considerable disadvantages, from the depression of commerce and still unrepaired wastes of the war. They have not labored, however, in vain. Most of them report a few hopeful conversions. From San Francisco the report is nearly fifty hopeful conversions, and a much larger number came to sea under religious impressions. Our missionaries in New-York and Brooklyn have labored with no inconsiderable success. The Society has in the home field seventeen chaplains and missionaries, including five recently appointed on the inland waters of the State, sustained chiefly by its treasury. Altogether in the mission work forty-five missionaries. The cause demands double the number to meet the pressing wants on new and important fields. The Sailors' Home has been in operation twenty-seven years. The whole number of boarders has been 74,041. This one institution has saved many a life and their relatives, by a fair estimate, $1,500,000; a sum nearly twice as large as the whole amount received from the Society's treasury during that time for all its operations. The temperance, moral and religious influence on the seamen sheltered there, cannot be estimated. Shall it be economy of benevolence? The number of boarders during the last year has been 962. They have deposited with the Superintendent $25,084, $12,048 of which was sent to relatives, and $2,818 to bank. The colored Sailors' Home was opened in 1839 by Mr. WM. P. POWELL. In twelve years 6,836 colored seamen had boarded there. During his absence for ten years, his successor, Mr. ALFRED LYON, had received 5,822. Mr. POWELL again took charge in 1862, and has received up to May 1, 1868, 1,355. Total, since first opened, 15,753. During the last year 483 have been received, of whom 23 shipwrecked and destitute have been relieved at an expense to the Society of $136 25. The number of reported conversions from all the departments of the Society, during the year, have been between 400 and 500. The receipts into the Treasury have been $82,000 in 18; expenditures, $82,265 63. The wonder is that so much has been done with these limited means.

Mr. CUYLER was then introduced, and selected as the text for his sermon Acts xxvii., 24, "And lo, God hath given thee all them that sail with thee."

The speaker gave an interesting account of the voyage of PAUL and his companions, and the storms that beset the ship that carried even a mightier freight than CESAR and his fortunes. Then of the sailors' simple faith, and of his great service to his age. FARRAGUT, FOOTE and the heroic seamen of the war received from Mr. CUYLER eloquent tributes for their heroism and devotion upon the slippery deck in defence of the national life. NELSON ran up to Trafalgar a flag as Christian with the words, "England expects every man to do his duty!" Christianity, with the banner of the Cross flying, expects every man to do his duty. After the benediction, pronounced by Rev. Dr. CUYLER, the congregation dispersed.

The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

Last evening Rev. Dr. THAYER, of Newport, R. I., preached the annual sermon before the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, at 5th church corner of Eleventh-street and Fifth-avenue. Dr. THAYER took as his text the 37th verse of the 9th chapter of Matthew—"The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few." He impressed on his audience the fact that no great revival in missionary labors can be effected until we learn to consider the Christian religion as the religion of the world. The harvest is indeed, he said, plenteous. China, Japan, India, Siam, Spain and Brazil are calling to us to send the Word to them, but where are the laborers? Few could be found willing to exile themselves, and leave the comforts and luxuries to which they had been accustomed, to toil among the heathen in a foreign land. Yet it was there, if anywhere, that their services are now most needed.

The annual report of the Board was read, showing that there are now sixty-three missionary stations established by the Board. The missionary schools are in a flourishing condition, and are attended by 1,800 children. The receipts of the Board during the year were $632,400, and the expenditures $622,792, leaving a balance on the wrong side of items $8,400.

Sermon by Rev. E. H. Stokes, Jr., D. D.

The anniversary sermon of the American Home Missionary Society was preached last evening in the Broadway Tabernacle Church, Sixth-avenue and Thirty-fourth-street, by Rev. E. H. STOKES, Jr., D. D., of Brooklyn. The preacher took for his text John xii., 32, 33:

"And I if I be lifted up from earth will draw all men unto me. This he said signifying what death he should die."

In the first of these verses, he said, we have the declaration of a fact by the Son of God; in the last, we have an interpretative comment, then factive the beloved disciple of the Lord. When John heard the Saviour say these words his thought probably was that Christ should be lifted up in the air, and give some miraculous demonstration over Jerusalem. In after life, however, he came to understand that it was crucifixion and not corporeal ascension. He did not suppose a man of good intelligence and strong moral sense, but altogether ignorant of the Gospel, to take up the Gospel as it is now, with its connected and harmonious arrangement of parts, and read it then, not knowing what the end was to be, would be ever supposed that an ignominious death was to be the end of that career which seemed to him all along so full of promise? But it would be to him still more extraordinary when the circumstances and phenomena of that death came to be considered. The Saviour died before the meridian of life; three years after he first entered on the ministry; there were great questions of mighty interest to men on which he might be supposed to have dwelt had his stay on earth been prolonged. These he never touched. Why did he die? Blessed be God, the Scripture itself furnishes the answer. He died, that, by dying, he might make atonement for sin. We cannot understand the mystery of this any more than we can understand the earthquake or the principles of that form of Christianity, in our times, which represents the Antichrist, is that which answers the question, Why did Christ die? Men may say that it is old-fashioned—so is the sunshine; that it is narrow, but it is as wide as the universe of God. The death and resurrection of Christ touch the moral nature, and therefore science cannot contradict them. Science and they do not lie in the same plane. This Society carries the tidings of hill death of Christ. Those who began the Society one by one have passed away, except a few whose honored names are held in memory; but, notwithstanding that, the Society lives. Never before were the returns so large as in the last year. There were almost 1,000 ministers and 2,000 congregations, and there were 75,000 Sabbath-School scholars, in twenty-eight different States and Territories. After some reference to the manner in which the Fathers thought would facilitate the operations of the Society, the preacher concluded an eloquent discourse.

Sermon by Rev. E. H. Chapin.

Rev. E. H. CHAPIN, after a long and severe illness, appeared in the pulpit of his church, on the corner of Fifth-avenue and forty-fifth-street, yesterday morning. The church was well filled and ere the sermon was over, people unable to obtain seats, were standing in the aisles. The reverend gentleman took for his text I. Kings, vi., 7: "So that there was neither hammer, nor ax, nor any tool of iron heard in the house, while it was in building."

It was presumed, said the speaker, that the trees were cut in the forests, and the stone hewn in the quarry, and carried to the temple built by the ancient Jewish Solomon. Silently it grew as some tall pine. Yet the great forces of Nature were silent, but omnipotent yet pervading. Men worked out his plans with the clamor of hammer and ax. This great railroad that strapped the continent with an iron nerve, was a great thing. Well was it to crown its brow with laurel and to cast it with silver and gold. A mighty undertaking is finished; yes, whether it would be the means of advancing civilization and of lifting the world higher, remained to be seen. He believed it would. Greater onward was progressing the Kingdom of Christ, resulting from of the results of hammer and ax for the spreading of His Word as the waters cover the sea.

Advancing years and infirmities reminded him that his years with his congregation would be numbered by few; yet he hoped that the temple built with the sound of both hammer and ax would continue, and that it would be a society that was more than a mere collection of individuals. Truth was advancing, progressing, and liberal ideas were infusing themselves into Church and State, and God's Kingdom on earth was advancing.

First Positivist Society.

A meeting of the First Positivist Society took place yesterday afternoon at Plimpton Building, Mr. MCDONALD being in the chair. An article was read from the *Fortnightly Review* of Nov. 15, 1868, written by FREDERIC HARRISON, upon the Good and Evil of Trades-unionism, in which it was said that in England trades-unionism was one of the most vital characteristics of modern society. Unions had spread immensely, and their members numbered together one million. Employers speak of them with a bitterness upon the social body, but their words are like the railing of the Vatican against railroads and newspapers. An attempt to destroy trades-unionism would induce the destruction of the English Government. The strikes for gratitude to God for the influences of His spirit on these devoted and humble laborers for Christ. One sailor missionary in Sweden reports 130 hopeful converts; another 74; others report more indefinite—yet encouraging, and more or less conversions. A missionary in Norway reports a wonderful awakening and general inquiry after salvation, crowded meetings of deep and solemn interest, but does not give the number of conversions. The Society has thirteen missionaries in Scandanavia, that northern hive from which swarm our best sailors. Most of these missionaries are converted sailors, and are wonderfully successful in winning souls to Christ. From Belgium, France, Buenos Ayres, Chili, Sandwich Islands, and China, the detailed reports are more or less encouraging intelligence, and a considerable number of hopeful conversions. The Society has in the foreign field, supported wholly or in part from its treasury, twenty-eight chaplains and missionaries. The chaplains in the Southern ports still labor under considerable disadvantages, from the depression of commerce and still unrepaired wastes of the war. They have not labored, however, in vain. Most of them report a few hopeful conversions. From San Francisco the report is nearly fifty hopeful conversions, and a much larger number came to sea under religious impressions. Our missionaries in New-York and Brooklyn have labored with no inconsiderable success. The Society has in the home field seventeen chaplains and missionaries, including five recently appointed on the inland waters of the State, sustained chiefly by its treasury. Altogether in the mission work forty-five missionaries. The cause demands double the number to meet the pressing wants on new and important fields. The Sailors' Home has been in operation twenty-seven years. The whole number of boarders has been 74,041. This one institution has saved many a life and their relatives, by a fair estimate, $1,500,000; a sum nearly twice as large as the whole amount received from the Society's treasury during that time for all its operations. The temperance, moral and religious influence on the seamen sheltered there, cannot be estimated. Shall it be economy of benevolence? The number of boarders during the last year has been 962. They have deposited with the Superintendent $25,084, $12,048 of which was sent to relatives, and $2,818 to bank. The colored Sailors' Home was opened in 1839 by Mr. WM. P. POWELL. In twelve years 6,836 colored seamen had boarded there. During his absence for ten years, his successor, Mr. ALFRED LYON, had received 5,822. Mr. POWELL again took charge in 1862, and has received up to May 1, 1868, 1,355. Total, since first opened, 15,753. During the last year 483 have been received, of whom 23 shipwrecked and destitute have been relieved at an expense to the Society of $136 25. The number of reported conversions from all the departments of the Society, during the year, have been between 400 and 500. The receipts into the Treasury have been $82,000 in 18; expenditures, $82,265 63. The wonder is that so much has been done with these limited means.

Methodist Episcopal Church (Eighteenth-street and Eighth-avenue) Temperance Movement.

At the Methodist Episcopal Church, Eighteenth-street near Eighth-avenue, a meeting was held for the purpose of organizing a Church Society to cooperate with the temperance organizations throughout the country. Dr. FOSTER, of Brooklyn, addressed the assembly, and portrayed the evils resulting from the free use in abundance in spirituous liquors; likewise showing that the effects of the Maine law. In his talk he said that in Boston, and wherever liquor was not a salable article, domestic and social comfort was increased.

Rev. Mr. KING, the pastor, then read the copy of a pledge to which he desired the members of the congregation to subscribe. It obliged the act of the signers to use their influence, means, and votes for the suppression of the liquor traffic throughout the land. This movement is not one for all of the Sons of Temperance, who, on Saturday evening last, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Convention heartily approves the call for a Temperance Convention to be held in Syracuse on the first day of June next, believing that the time and the occasion are ripe for a thorough organization of all the friends of temperance throughout the State, and that we pledge our hearty cooperation in such a movement.

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to arrange for calling a Convention, to consist of delegates from each town, City and County of New-York in such State Convention, specifying the time and place thereto of all temperance organizations, and all temperance men.

Church Movements in Brooklyn.

The Mormons of Williamsburg were addressed yesterday afternoon by Elders O. PRATT and JOSEPH A. YOUNG, prominent Elders from Salt Lake City, and now on a tour among the faithful, in the capacity of missionaries. They took to the facilities about to be furnished by the operation of the Pacific Railroad as tending to foster the cherished institutions, and to increase the numbers of the Latter-day Saints' Church at its headquarters in Utah; and the establishment of the road is regarded as an act of Providence vouchsafed to indicate, in an especial manner, the Divine approval of the plans and purposes of Mormonism.

The corner-stone of the new edifice of the Reformed Church on Kent-street, Greenpoint, will be laid this afternoon.

The annual meeting of the New-York Association of the New Church (Swedenborgian) will be held in Rev. Dr. AGEN's church on the 21st inst.

Interesting memorial services were held in the Sunday School of the Washington-street Methodist Episcopal Church yesterday afternoon, when many warm and eloquent eulogiums of the life and character of Wm. C. RUSHMORE and Mrs. MATILDA PRAY, formerly superintendents of the school, and of Gamaliel W. PRAY, M. D., a former scholar and teacher, were delivered. The hymns sung on the occasion were composed by Mrs. PRAY.

The new chapel and Sunday-school room of the Tompkins-square M. E. Church, corner of Lafayette and Tompkins avenues, will be ready for dedication about the 1st of June.

The Third Unitarian Church, in Clarkson-avenue, near Lafayette-street, have extended a call to Rev. S. H. CLARK, of Toledo, Ohio, to become their pastor, and he has accepted. Rev. Dr. OSGOOD, late of the Church of the Messiah, New-York, occupied the pulpit yesterday.

The sixteenth social reunion of the American Congregational Union will be held at the Academy of Music, Montague-street, on Thursday evening, at half-past 8 o'clock. The speakers are Rev. Dr. PRIME, of Wales; Rev. DEWITT C. TALMADGE; Rev. STEPHEN H. TYNG, Jr.; Rev. ROBERT LOWRY; Rev. NORMAN SEAVER, D. D., and Rev. RAY PALMER, D. D.

Sabbath-School Anniversary.

The Berean Sabbath School, connected with Dr. DOWLING's Church, corner Bedford and Downing streets, held their thirteenth anniversary in the presence of a large congregation. The exercises consisted in singing and addresses by J. H. BURTIS, Dr. BABCOCK and Rev. Dr. DOWLING. The Secretary's report, read by Mr. JOSEPH HOGBE, showed the school to be in a prosperous condition. An interesting feature of the occasion was the presentation to the late Superintendent, Mr. WM. HOGBE, with a copy of Smith's Unabridged Bible Dictionary, in three volumes, and a set of resolutions accompanying it, from the teachers of the Sabbath School.

The Adventists.

Two Advent societies are holding meetings at present in the Cooper Union Buildings. In Room No. 18 the Reformed Progressive Second Advent Church heard two lectures by Mr. PATRICK HENSON, now, the prophecies in Daniel and Revelations. He predicted the destruction of the world was nigh at hand, and that the day of judgment would extend through seventy weeks. His lectures were illustrated by representations of the throne of God and the judgment seat, with the dead rising from their graves. About a dozen people heard his remarkable interpretations.

In Room No. 24 Rev. W. S. CAMPBELL preached to the Second Advent Church, about twenty-five in attendance on faith in God, and His great resurrection day, selecting his text from 1 Peter, 1st chapter and 23d verse.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

The following is the Central Park meteorological report for the week ending May 8, 1869: Barometer—Mean, 29.736 inches; maximum at 7 A. M., May 7, 30.000 inches; minimum at 3 P. M., May 3, 29.072 inches; range, .928 inch. Thermometer—Mean, 49.65 degrees; maximum at 1 P. M., May 4, 62 degrees; minimum at 2 A. M., May 5, 40 degrees; range, 22 degrees. Remarks—May 3, rain from 6:15 A. M. to 9:45 A. M.—amount of water, .22 inch; May 2, rain from 12:15 P. M. to 8:45 P. M.—amount of water, .49 inch; May 3, rain from 1:30 P. M. to 8:15 P. M.—amount of water, .63 inch; total of water for the week, .13 inch.

FRANK RICHARDSON, aged 20, attempted suicide yesterday afternoon at No. 37 Bowery, by taking Paris green. He was a temporary lodger at the place, and was taken to Bellevue Hospital. His motive remains unknown.

A man named SCHIMMER was found dead yesterday in his room at No. 228 West Eighteenth-street. Deputy Coroner JOHN BEACH was notified.

DENNIS HALEY, aged 17, fell from a Broadway and Seventh-avenue car, at the corner of Broome and Wooster streets, and sustained serious injuries. He was conveyed to Bellevue Hospital.

At midnight a fire occurred in the premises No. 4 Columbia-street, occupied by G. S. LAUDAWITZ as a mill for grinding buckwheat. Damage $100; fully insured.

New-Jersey.

A young man named STEPHEN O. YOUNG, jeweler by trade, residing at No. 46 Bleecker-street, Newark, was arrested late on Saturday night by Detective SMITH on the charge of having stolen some jewelry from his employer, Mr. J. M. MILLER, corner of Orchard and Chestnut streets, Newark. At an examination into the case yesterday before a Police Justice, sufficient evidence was given to warrant the committal of the prisoner on the charge of robbery. The amount altogether supposed to have been stolen by him has not been ascertained. The prisoner was subsequently discharged on giving bail.

SAMUEL MILLER, a lumberman, was arrested yesterday afternoon charged with having stolen a wallet containing $70, the property of A. D. MOORE, of Washington, D. C., at Taylor's Hotel, in Jersey City. The two men arrived in Jersey City by the Erie Railway, and stopped at Taylor's. MOORE, in paying for a drink, laid his wallet down on the counter, and soon after missed it. In the meantime the prisoner, who was standing by, had stepped out, and upon his return was arrested, but the money was not recovered. MILLER was locked up to await examination.

The child of PETER BURNS, residing at No. 136 Steuben-street, Jersey City, died yesterday from burns received a few days since by its clothing taking fire from the stove.

FOREIGN MARKETS.

LONDON, Saturday, May 8—11 A. M. Consols opened at 93 for money, and 93⅛ for the account; United States Five-twenty Bonds are fixed at 79¾. Stocks are firm: Erie, 19; Illinois Centrals, 95¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 32.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, May 8—11 A. M. The Cotton market opens dull; Middling Uplands, 11¼d.@11⅜d.; Middling Orleans, 12d.; the sales of the day are estimated at 6,000 bales.

LONDON, Saturday, May 8—11 A. M. Sugar, 1os. 6d. ⅌ cwt for No. 12 Dutch Standard on the spot.

LONDON, Saturday, May 8—1 P. M. Consols closed at 93⅛ for money, and 93⅛ for the account; United States Five-twenties are firmer at 79¾. Stock, firmer; Erie, 19¾; Illinois, 96¾; Atlantic and Great Western, 32¼.

LIVERPOOL, Saturday, May 8—1 P. M. COTTON—The market closed dull; Middling Uplands, 11¼d.; Middling Orleans, 12d. The sales of the day have been 6,000 bales.

PROVISIONS—Pork, 101s. 6d. ⅌ bbl. for Eastern Prime Mess; Lard, 68s. 6d. ⅌ cwt.

HAVRE, Friday, May 8.

COTTON—Tree Ordinaire, 143c. ⅌ cwt.

ANTWERP, Saturday, May 8.

Petroleum declined to 51¾f. for Standard White.

PARIS, Saturday, May 8.

Rentes easy; Rentes, 71f. 70c.

HAVRE, Saturday, May 8.

The Cotton market is unchanged.

FRANKFORT, Sunday, May 9.

United States Five-twenty Bonds are quoted 78-day at 84¾ for the issue of 1868.

HAMBURG, Sunday, May 9—Evening.

United States Bonds partially lowered and closed firmer during the day, and closed at 84¾ for the issue of 1868.

HAVANA, Sunday, May 9.

The following is the report of the Havana markets for the week ending Saturday: SUGAR—Stock in warehouses in Havana and Matanzas 18,000 sacks; exports for the week from Havana and Matanzas to foreign ports, 17,500 boxes; to the United States, 1,800 boxes; markets closed quiet at 8¼@9 reals for No. 10 to 12 and 9¾@11 reals for No. 15 to 20. LARD, 20c. for tierces, and 21c. for kegs. FLOUR, $6 ⅌ sack. BUTTER, 32c. BACON 19½c. HONEY, 45c. ⅌ gallon. WAX—Yellow, $7@8 ⅌ lb.; White, $12@16 ⅌ lb. ⅌ arroba. PETROLEUM, 75 @80 reals ⅌ gallon. TALLOW, 10½@11½c. ⅌ lb. FREIGHTS—Sugar, $7 ⅌ hogshead ⅌ bbl.; Molasses active and in demand; Yellow Pine, $21; White Pine, $25. BROOKS for Boston, 2½@19 reals. HOOPS—Maine, $70 ⅌ thousand; Charles, $80@90 ⅌ thousand. EXCHANGE—On London, 11½@12 ⅌ cent. GOLD ⅌ premium in United States, in gold, 47 ⅌ cent; silver, 45 ⅌ cent. Sterling, sixty days' sight, par@¼ ⅌ cent premium; in currency, sixty days' sight, 37½@38½ ⅌ cent discount.

DOMESTIC MARKETS.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Saturday, May 8.

FLOUR active; sales, 2,500 bbls. at $6 25 for No. 1 Spring; $7 25 for Amber Winter; $8 for White; $8 50 for Double Extra. WHEAT quiet; sales, 1,000 bushels Club held at $1 30; White Canada, $1 60@1 65. CORN more sought for and firmer; No. 1 Illinois, 81c. OATS—Nominal at 50c. RYE held at $1 in bond. PEAS, $2 15, free. COTTONSEED, $1 30 ⅌ cwt. MILLFEED steady; Shorts, 12c@13c.; Shipstuffs, 14c@15c.; Middlings, 16c@17c. Canal Freights—Wheat, 1c. Corn 2c., Rye 1½c. to New-York; Lumber, $1 75 to Albany. Rail Freights—Flour to Boston, 60c.; to New-York, 40c. to Albany, 35c. Lake Freights—$1,000 bushels Wheat, 1,000 bushels Corn, 1,000 bushels Oats, 1,000 bushels Rye, 1,000 bushels Barley, 1,000 bushels Peas, 1,000 bushels Pork, 1,000 bushels Lard, 1,000 bushels Tobacco, 1,000 bushels Ashes, 1,000 bushels Beans, 1,000 bushels Flour,